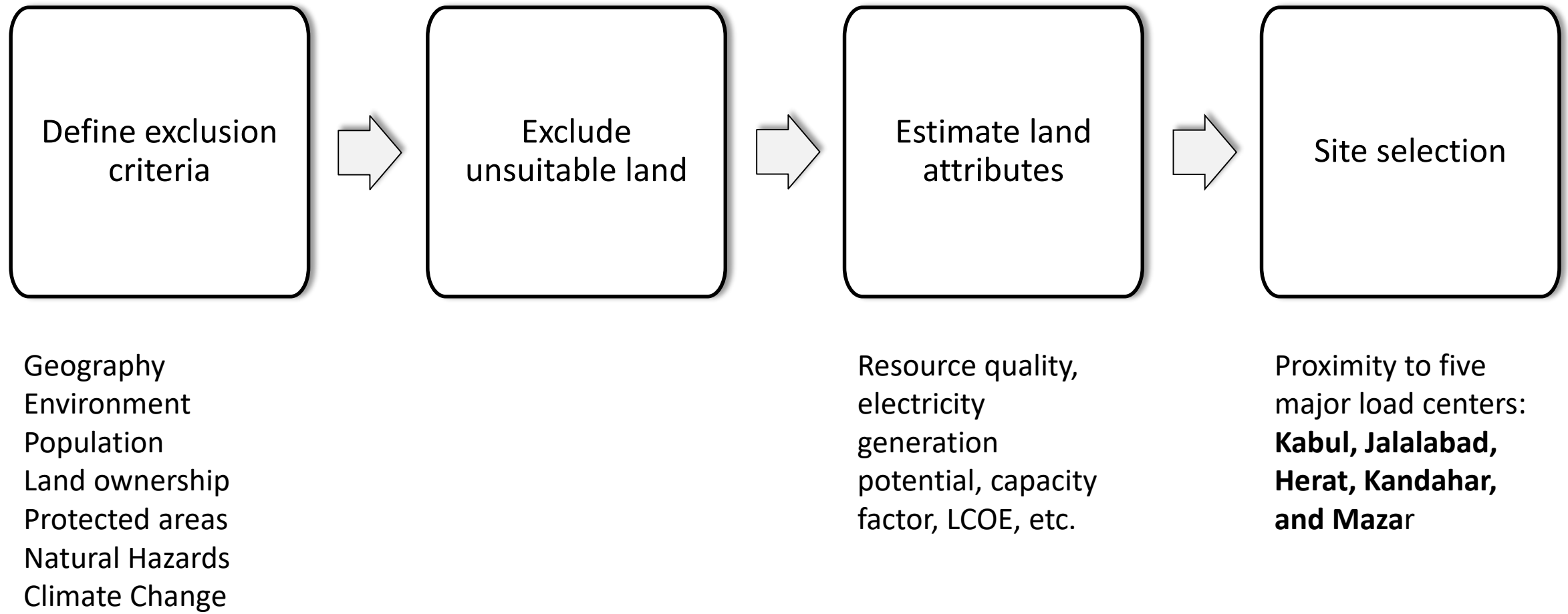


Geospatial Identification of Solar PV Sites

Kabul, Jalalabad, Kandahar, Herat and Mazar

Identification of suitable sites for the installation of solar PV plants



Criteria for Land Exclusion

Parameter	PV	Unit
Lakes	Value >= 500	Distance in meters
Rivers	Value >= 500	Distance in meters
Slope	Value <= 10	Slope in percentage
Elevation	Value <= 4000	Elevation in meters
Protected Areas	Value >= 500	Distance in meters
Land Use/Land Cover	Value > 0	Distance in meters
Airports	Value >= 2000	Distance in meters
Airfields	Value >= 100	Distance in meters
Population	Value <= 200	Density per square km



Climate change and Natural Hazards

Flash flood

Fluvial flood

Avalanche

Earthquake

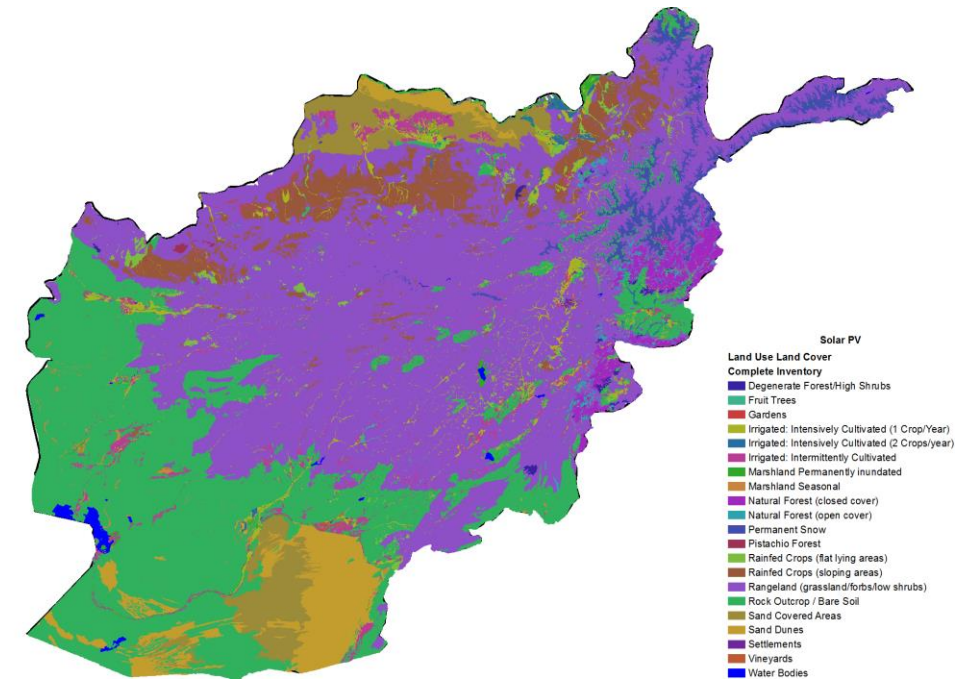
Slow bedrock landslides

Rapid bedrock landslides

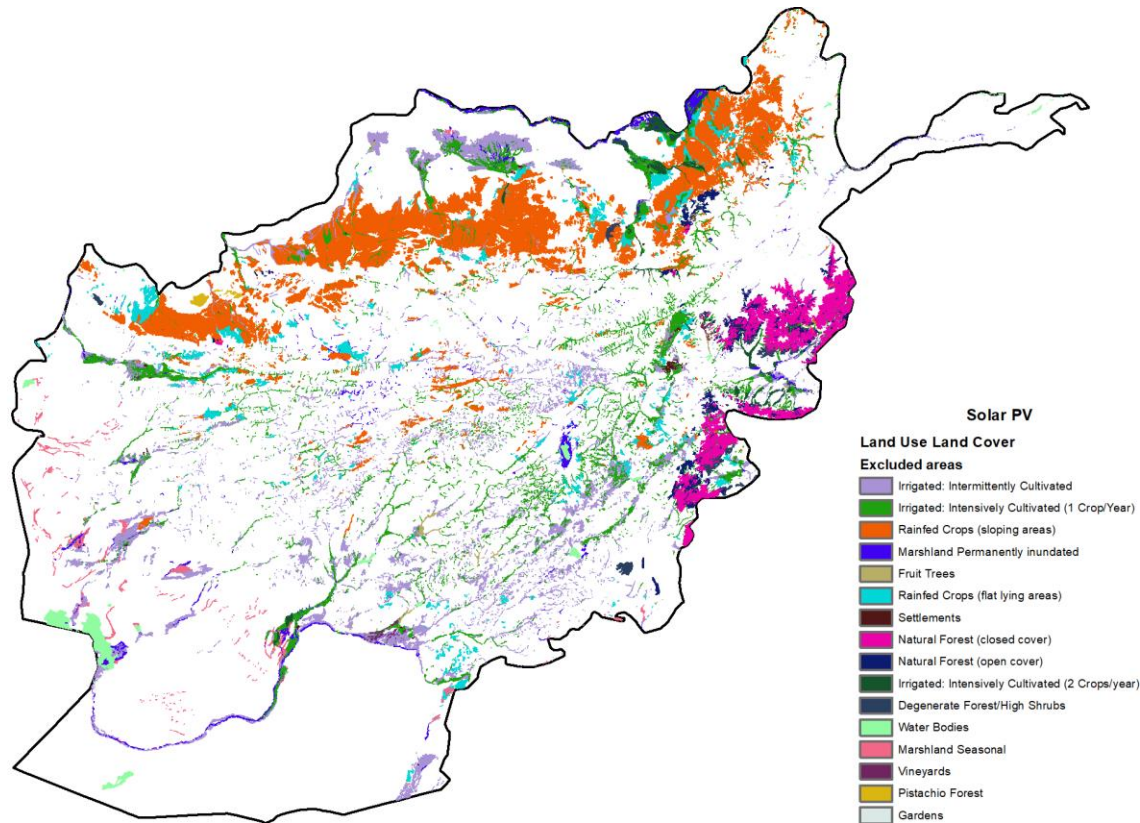
Rapid cover material landslides

Criteria for Land Use and Land Cover Exclusion

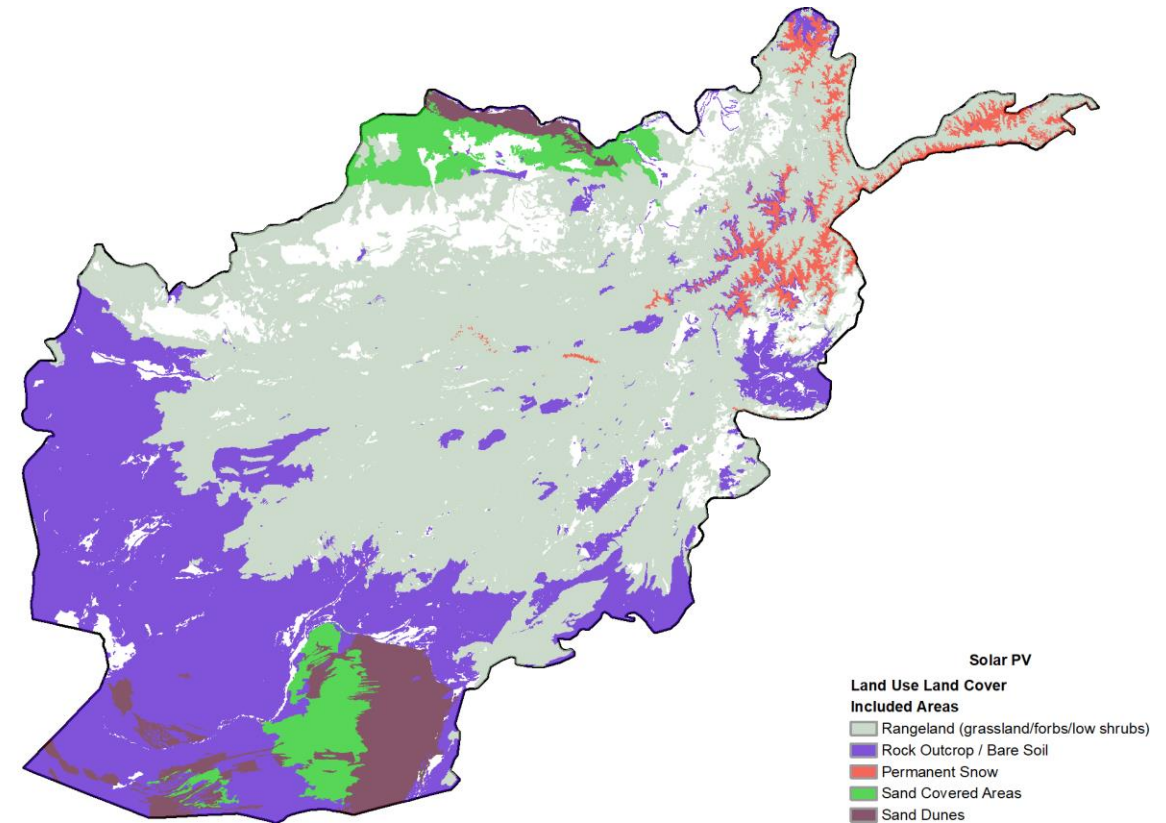
Land Use Land Cover Class	Inclusion Criteria
Rangeland (grassland/forbs/low shrubs)	Included
Rock Outcrop / Bare Soil	
Permanent Snow	
Sand Dunes	
Sand Covered Areas	
Irrigated: Intermittently Cultivated	Excluded
Irrigated: Intensively Cultivated (1 Crop/Year)	
Rainfed Crops (sloping areas)	
Marshland Permanently inundated	
Fruit Trees	
Rainfed Crops (flat lying areas)	
Settlements	
Natural Forest (closed cover)	
Natural Forest (open cover)	
Irrigated: Intensively Cultivated (2 Crops/year)	
Degenerate Forest/High Shrubs	
Water Bodies	
Marshland Seasonal	
Vineyards	
Pistachio Forest	
Gardens	



Land Use and Land Cover Exclusion/Inclusion

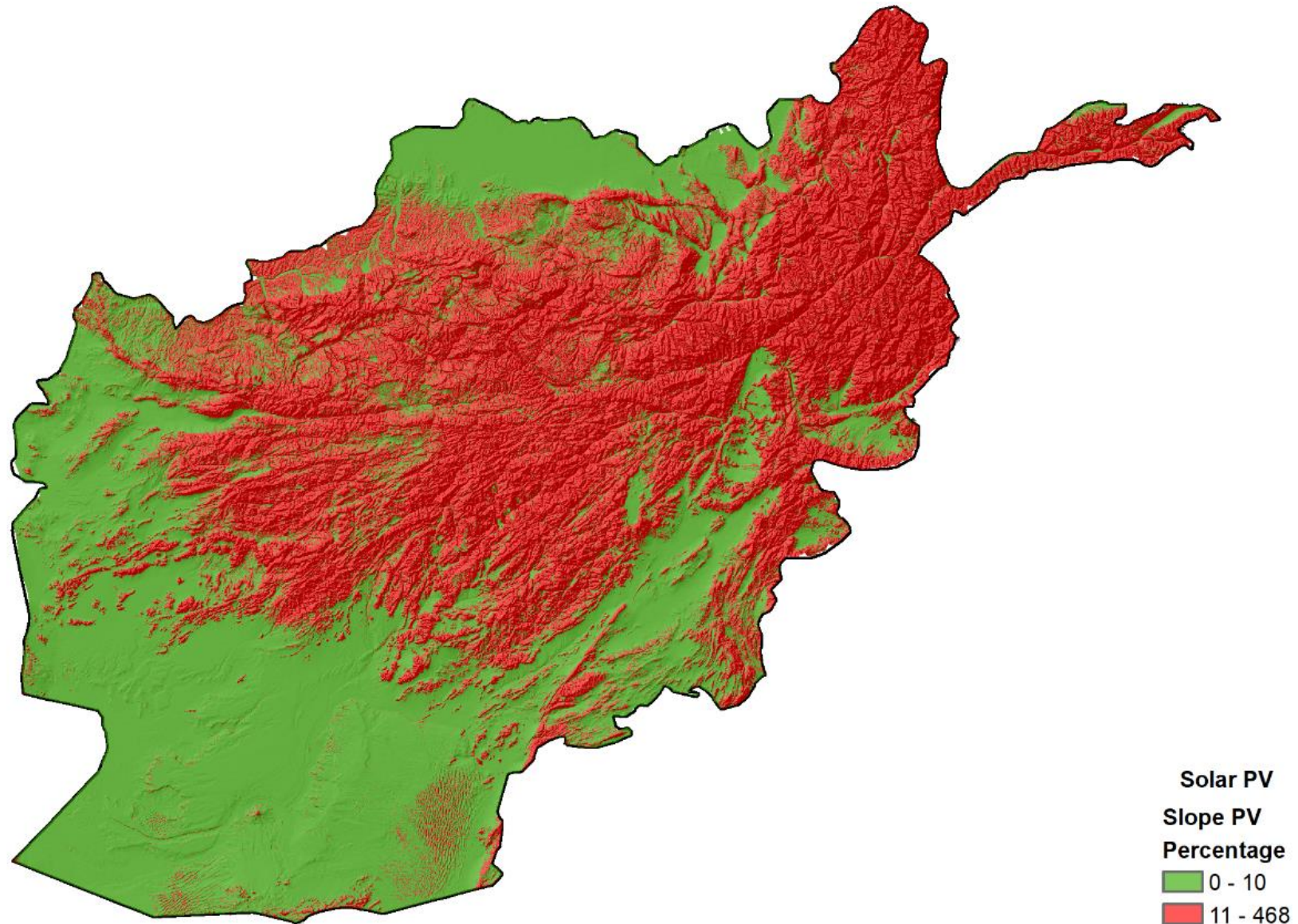


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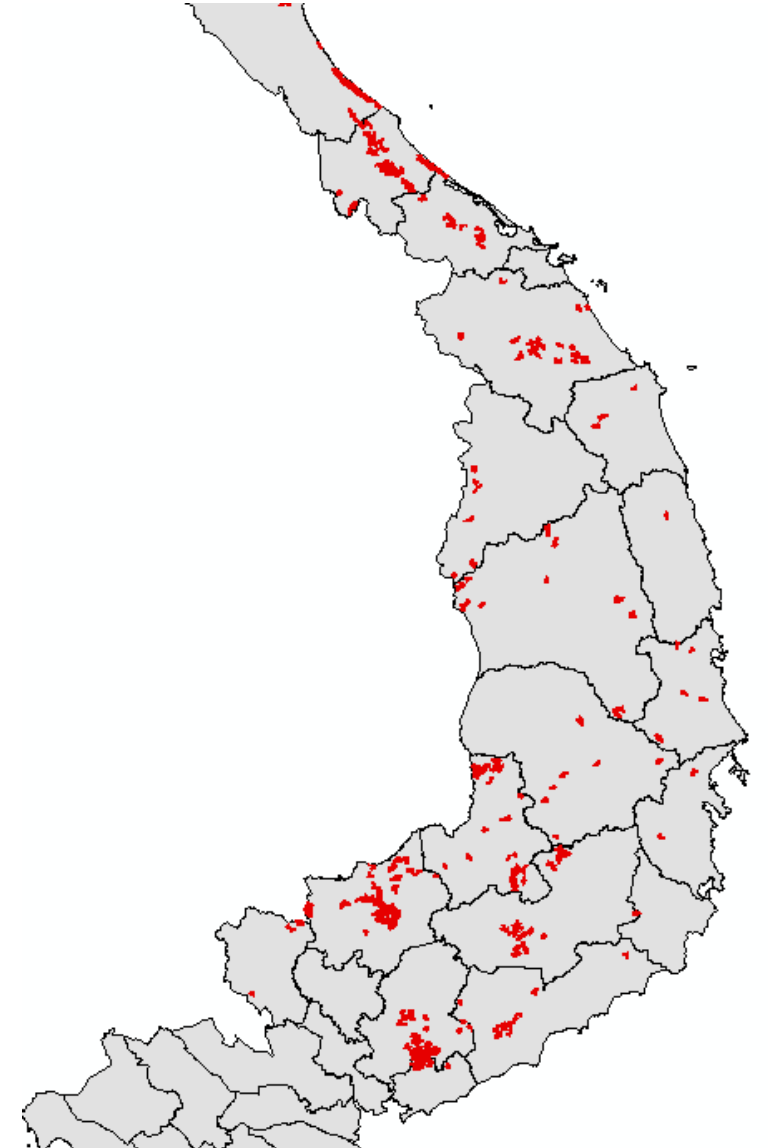
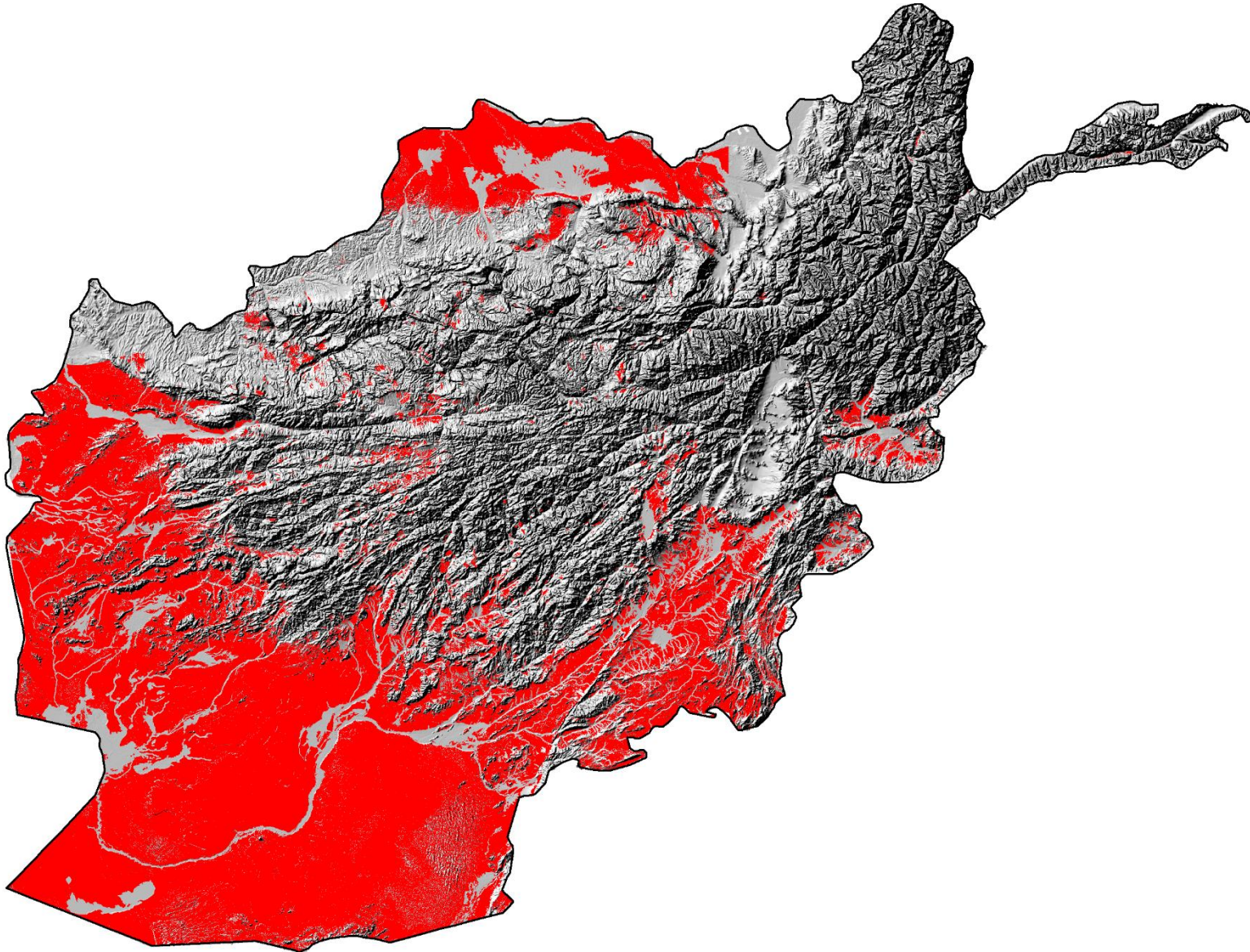


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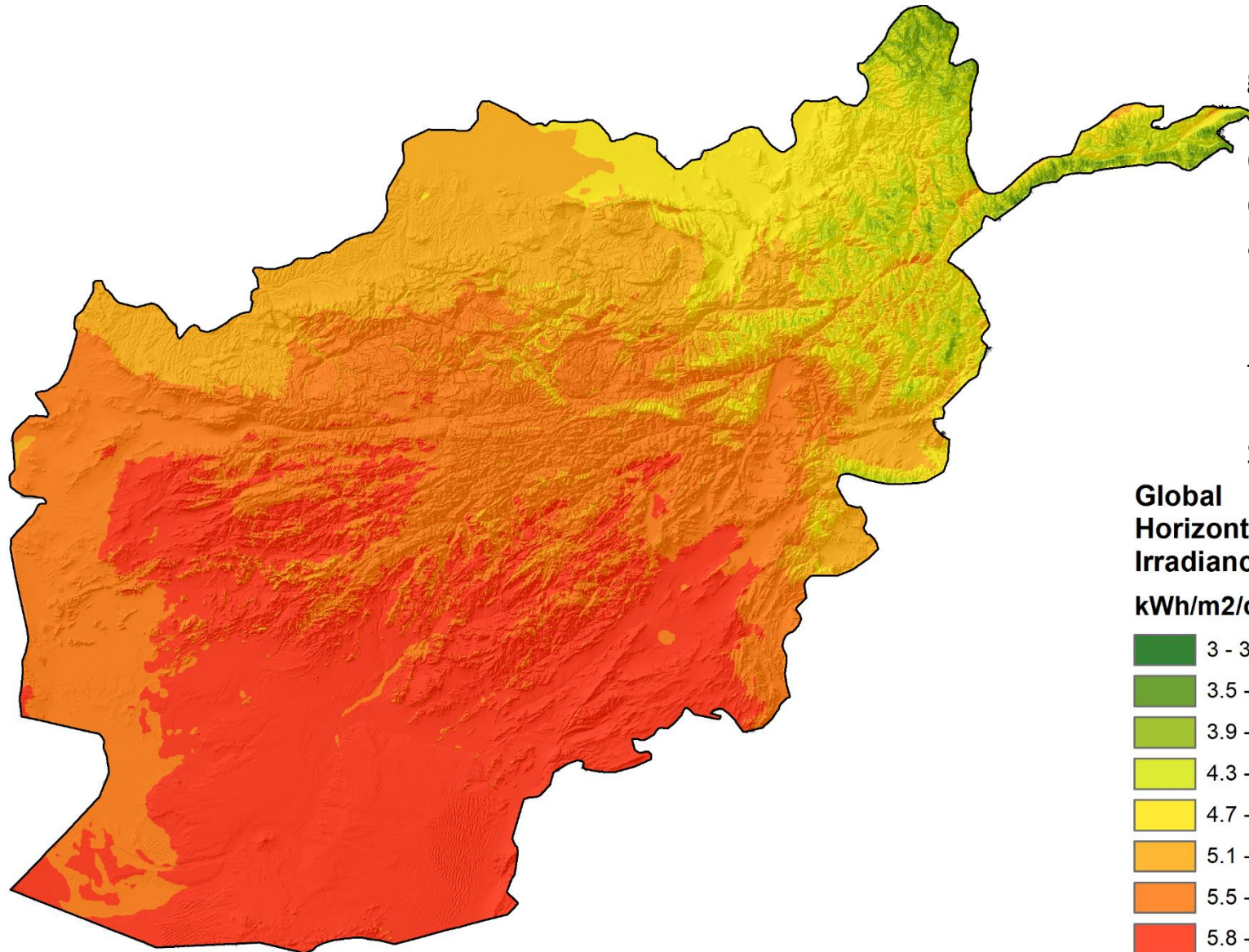
Sloping areas



Suitable land at the Country Level



Global Horizontal Irradiance



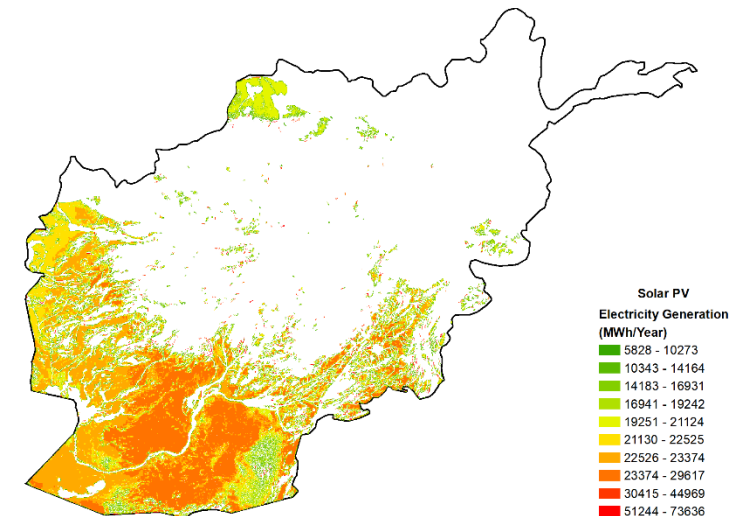
Long-term yearly average of daily totals of global horizontal irradiation (GHI) in kWh/m^2

Output from the global solar model SolarGIS derived from satellite digital images and atmospheric datasets

Period: from 1994/1999/2007 (depending on the region) to 2015

Spatial resolution: 30 arc-sec (900 m)

**Global
Horizontal
Irradiance**
 $\text{kWh/m}^2/\text{day}$

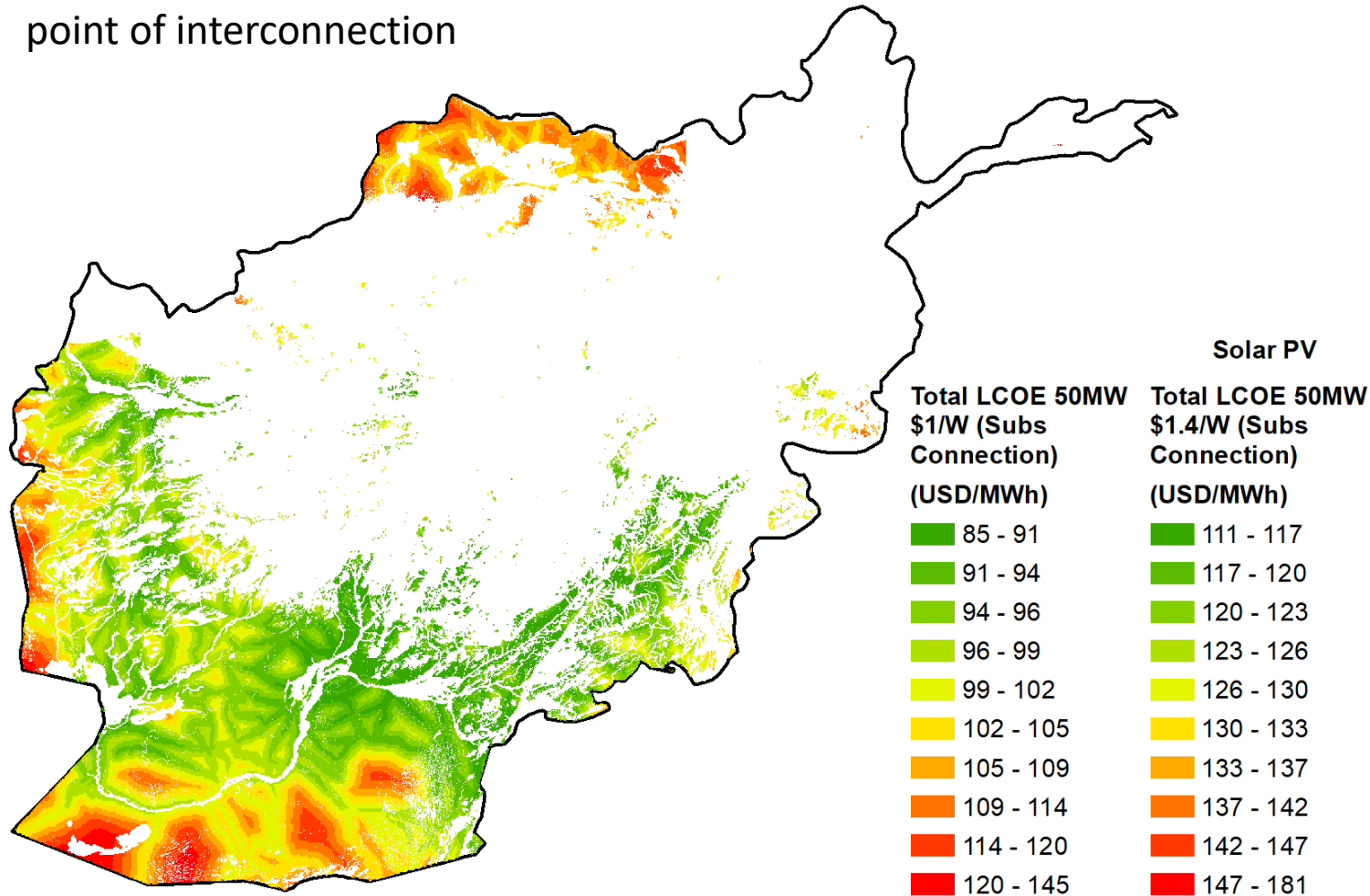


Cost Estimates

Parameter	Solar PV	Unit	Notes
Capital cost	1,000,000	(USD/MW)	Capital cost of the generation technology. The capital cost for wind technology assumes Class III turbines
Variable O&M cost of generation	0	(USD/MWh)	Variable operations and maintenance cost of generation
Fixed O&M cost of generation	15,000	(USD/MWh)	Fixed operations and maintenance cost of generation
Transmission cost	990	(USD/MW/km)	Capital cost for a transmission line
Substation cost	175,000	(USD/MW)	Cost of a substation. This cost is added to any new interconnections to represent the average cost of construction of a new substation
Road cost	407,000	(USD/km)	Capital cost for the construction of a new access road
Economic discount rate	12.5%	(%)	Cost of capital or interest rate used to determine the present value of future cash flows. This discount rate is used to estimate the LCOE

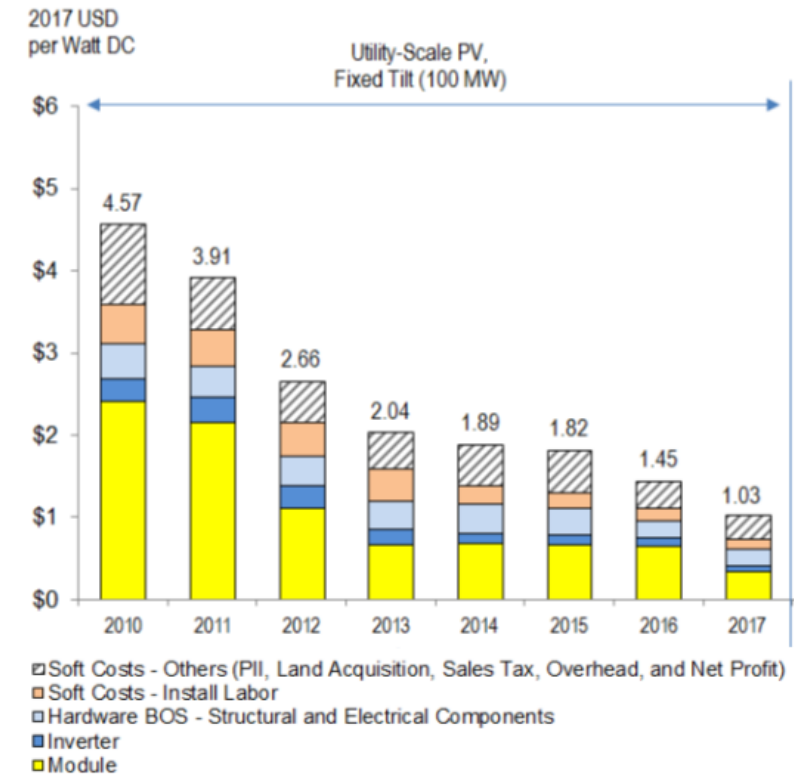
LCOE

Average cost of every unit of electricity generated over the lifetime of a project at the point of interconnection



The LCOE is calculated as the sum of 3 components:

- **Generation LCOE;**
- **Interconnection LCOE; and**
- **Road LCOE**



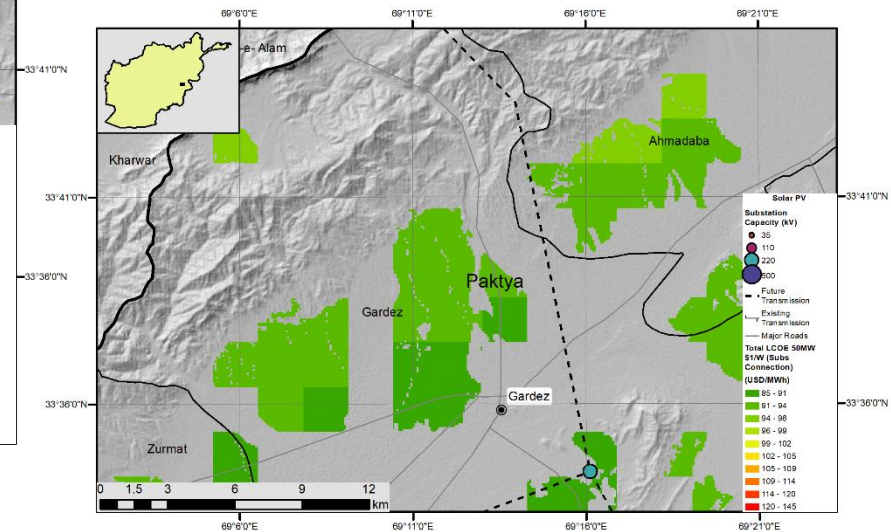
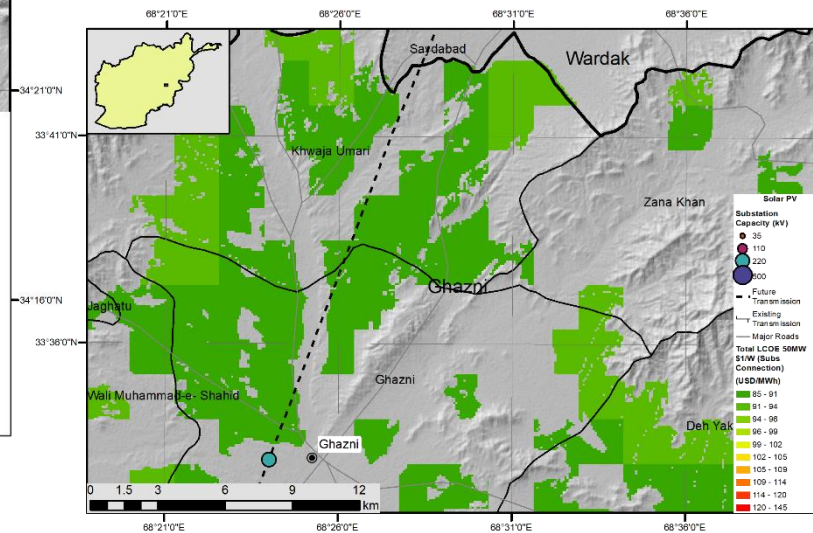
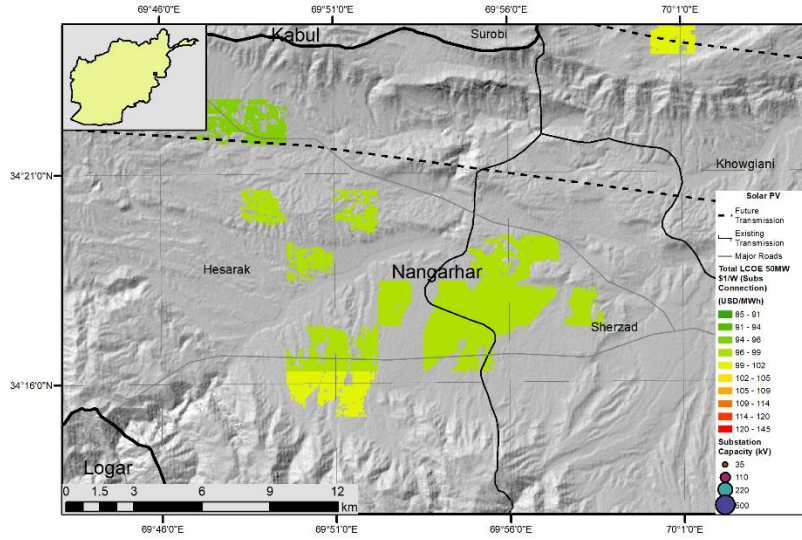
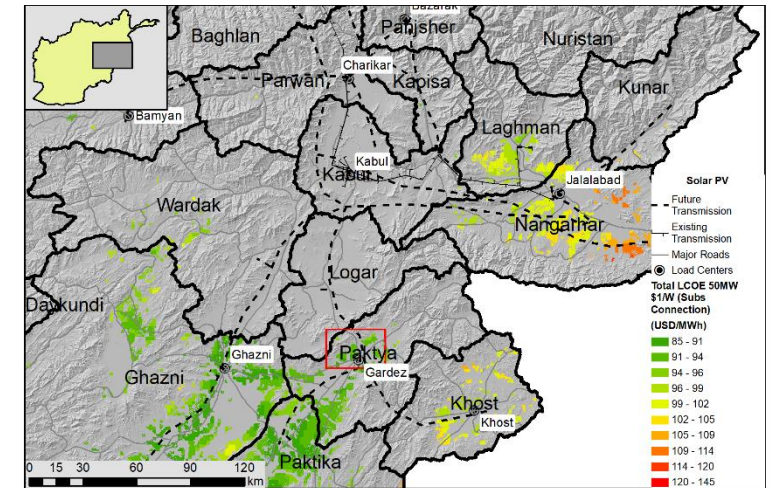
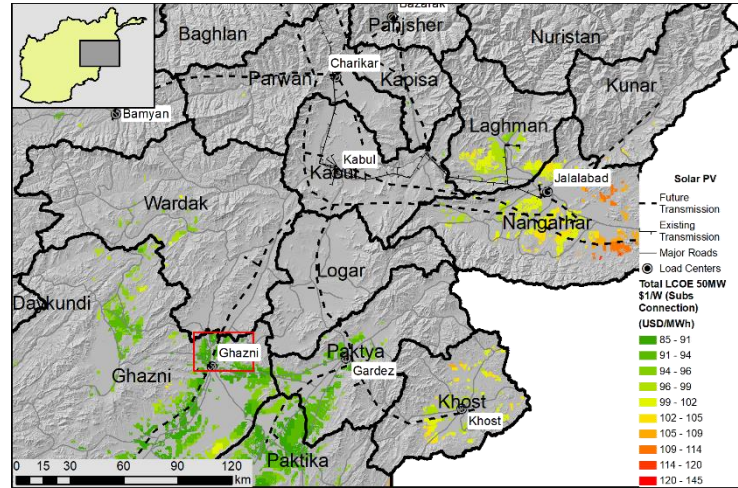
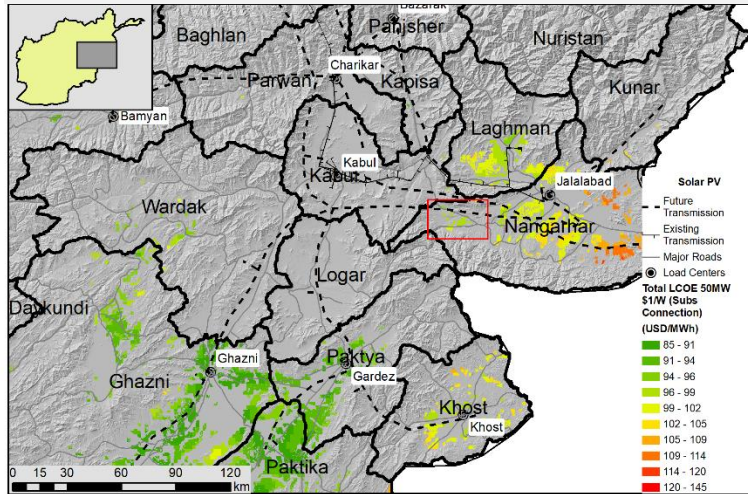
List of Potential Sites

Site Label	Province	Districts	Distance from Load center
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Kabul 2	Ghazni	Wali Muhammad-e-Shahid, Ghazni, Khwaja Umari	120 km
Kabul 3	Paktya	Zurmat, Gardez, Ahmadaba	100 km
Kabul 4	Laghman	Mehtarlam	90 km
Jalalabad 1	Nangarhar	Khowgiani, Surkh Rod, Chaparhar	15 km
Jalalabad 2	Laghman, Nangarhar	Carghayi, Behsud, Sukh Rod	25 km
Kandahar 1	Kandahar	Maywand, Zheray, Arghandab	15 km
Kandahar 2	Kandahar	Kandahar, Daman, Shah Wali Kot, Arghandab	10 km
Herat 1	Herat	Injil, Karukh	40 km
Herat 2	Herat	Herat, Injil, Karukh	10 km
Mazar 1	Balkh	Deh Dadi, Chemtal, Nahr-e-Shahi	10 km
Mazar 2	Balkh	Nahr-e-Shahi	10 km

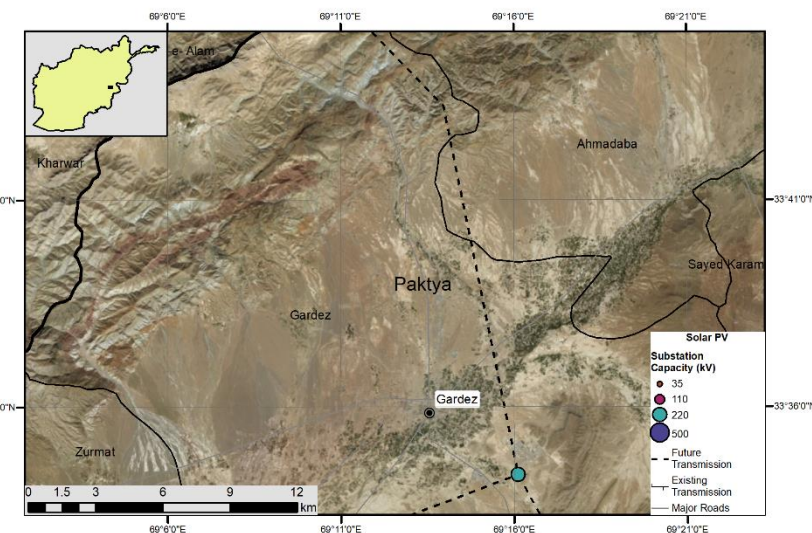
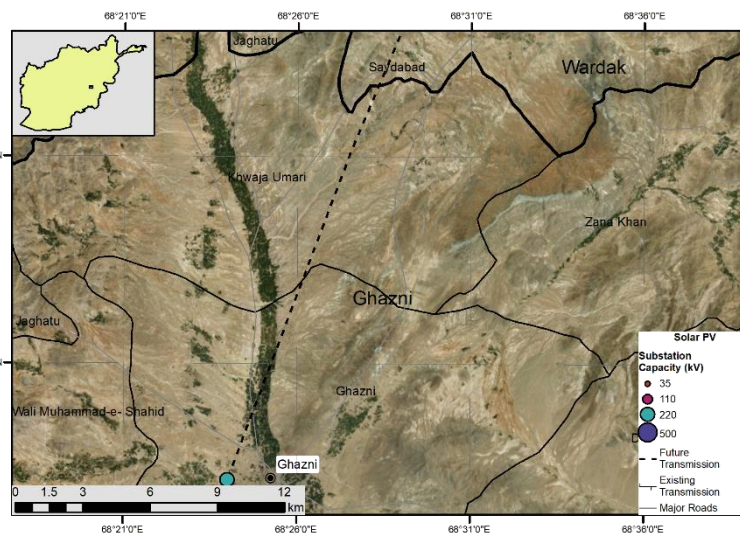
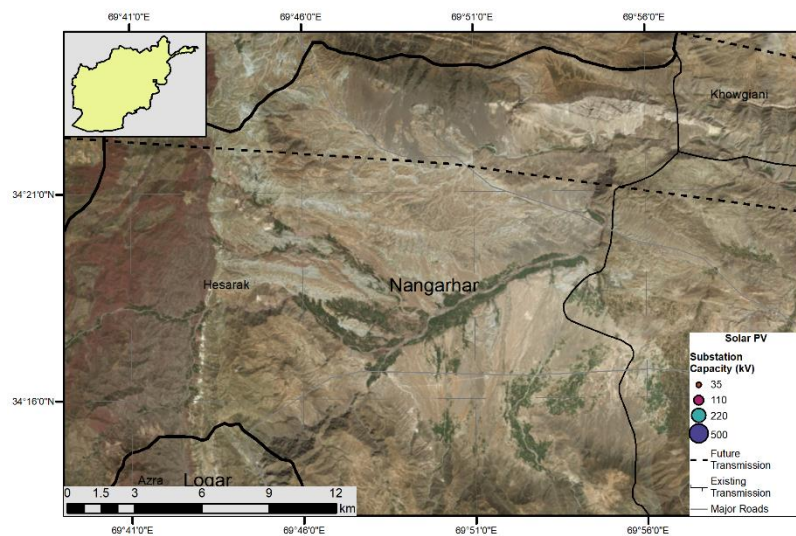
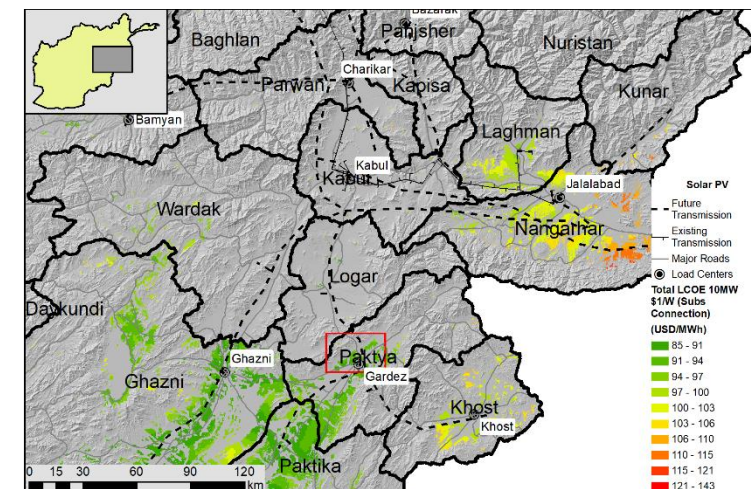
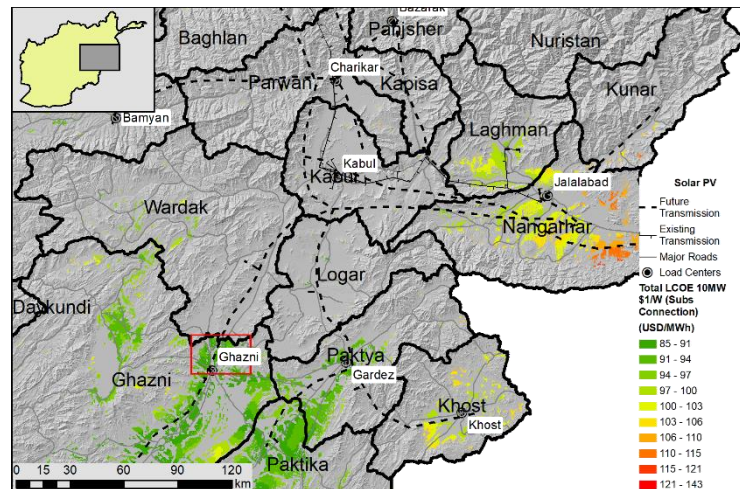
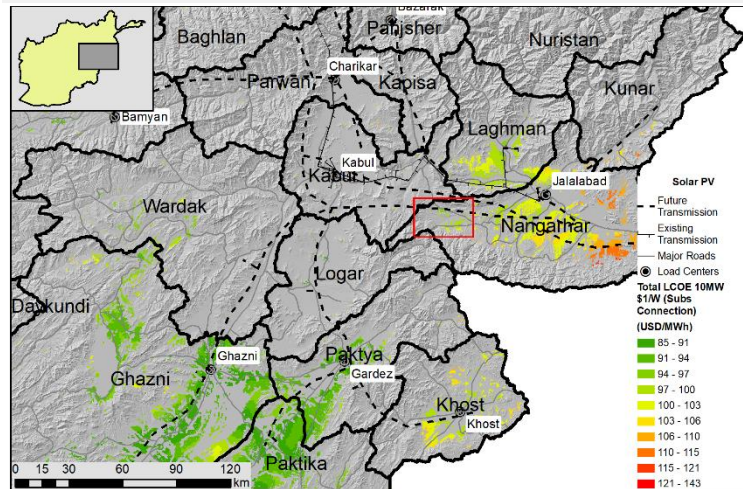
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The exact coordinates of each site are reported in the maps.

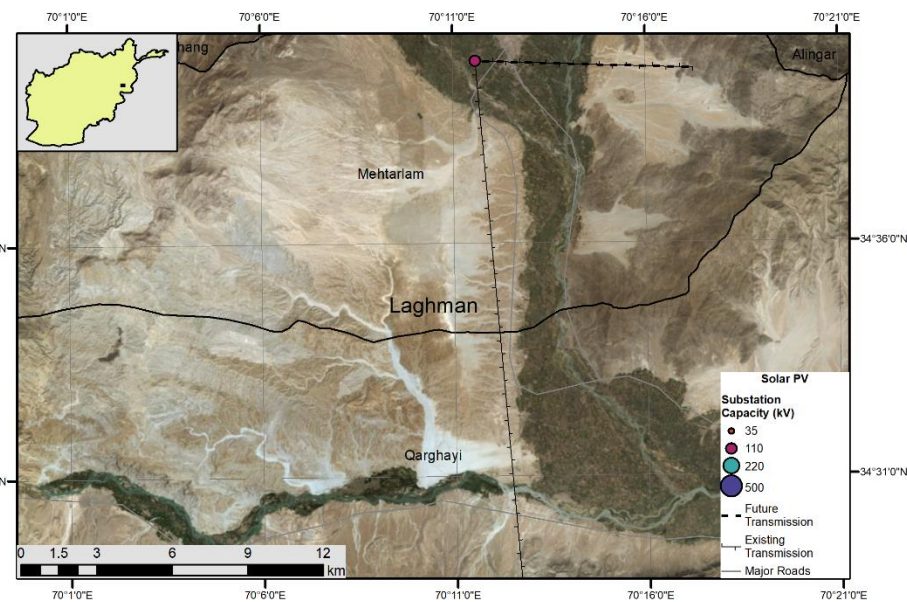
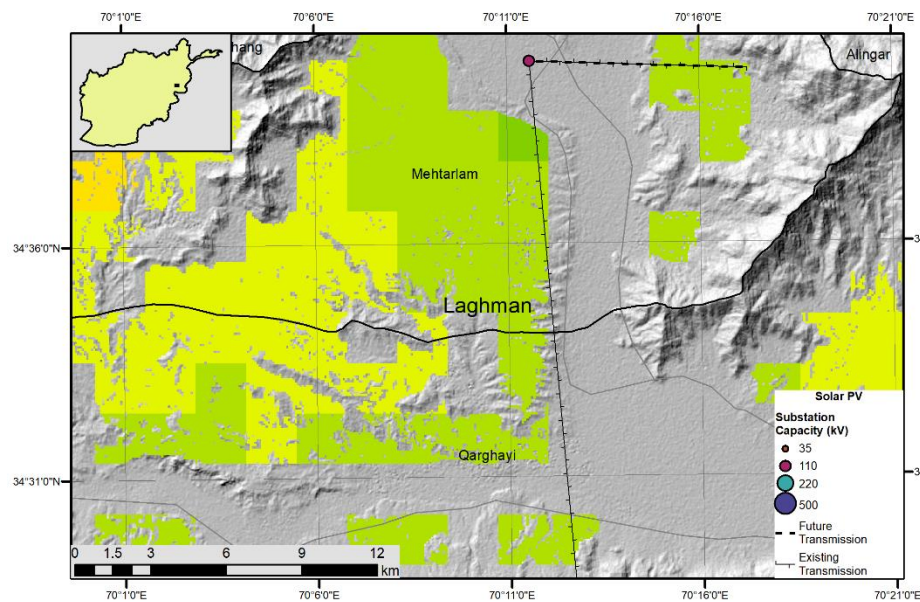
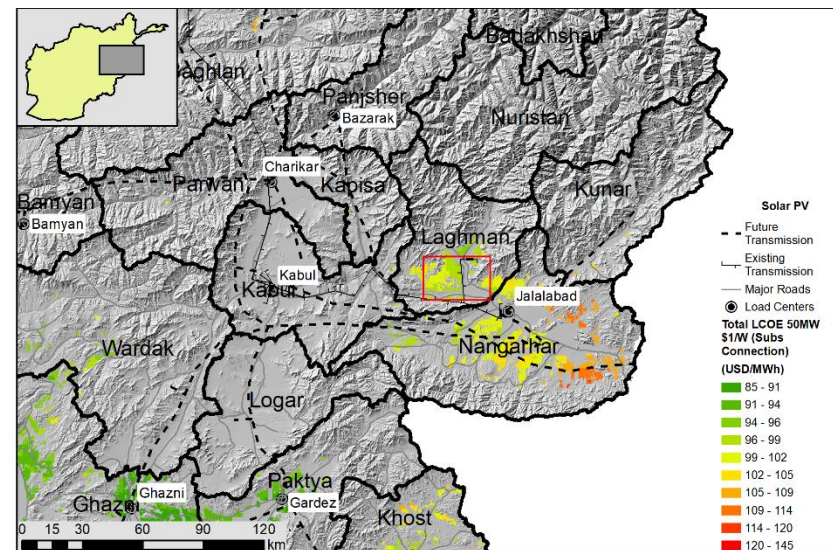
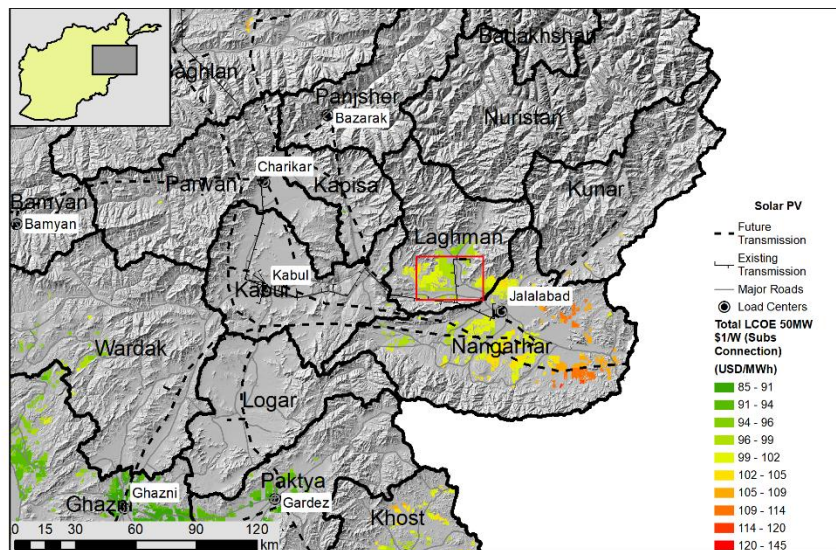
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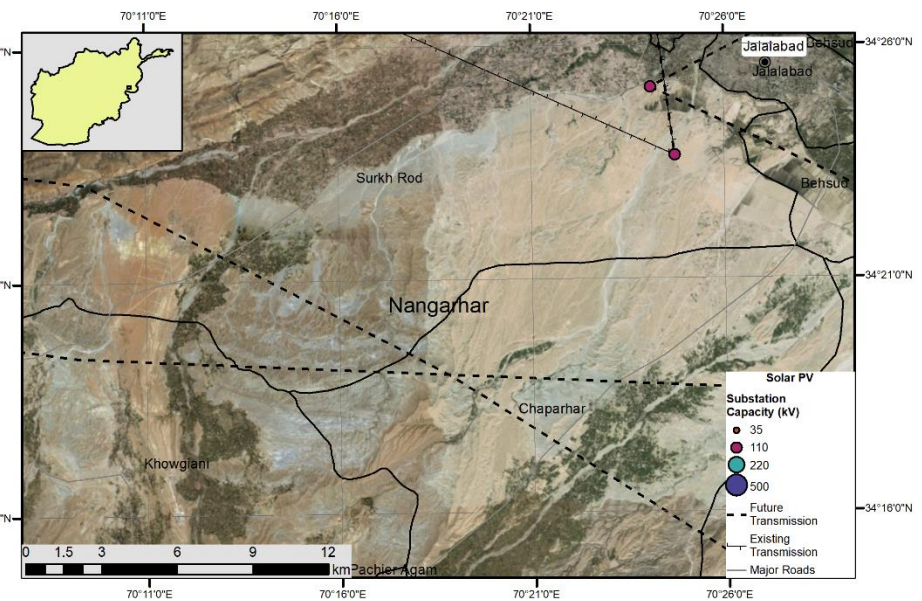
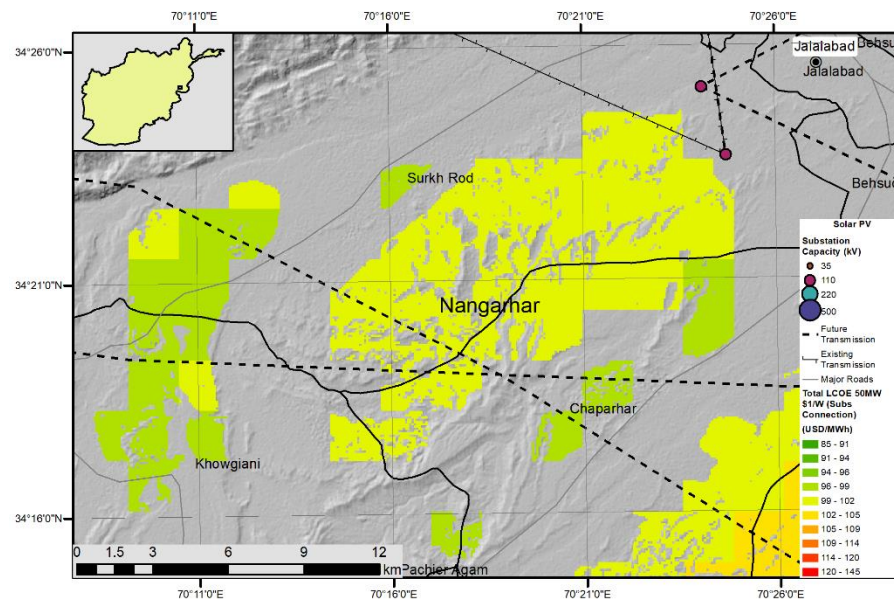
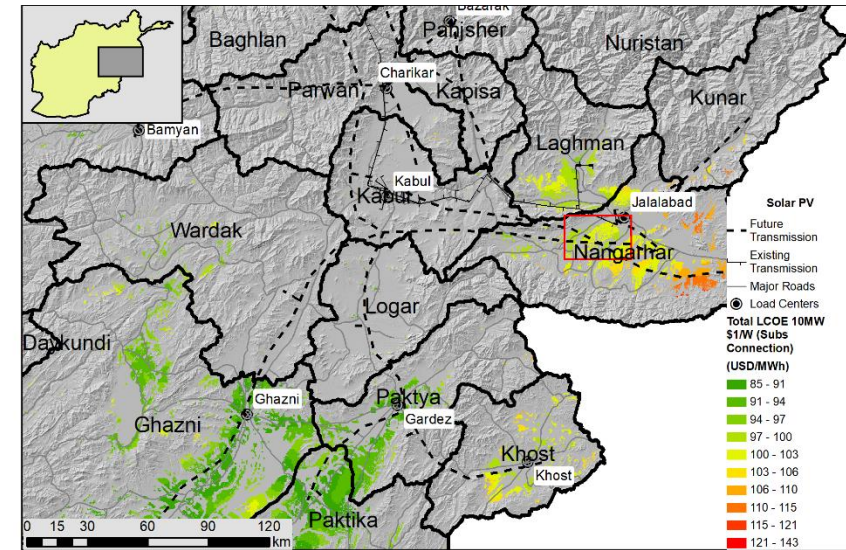
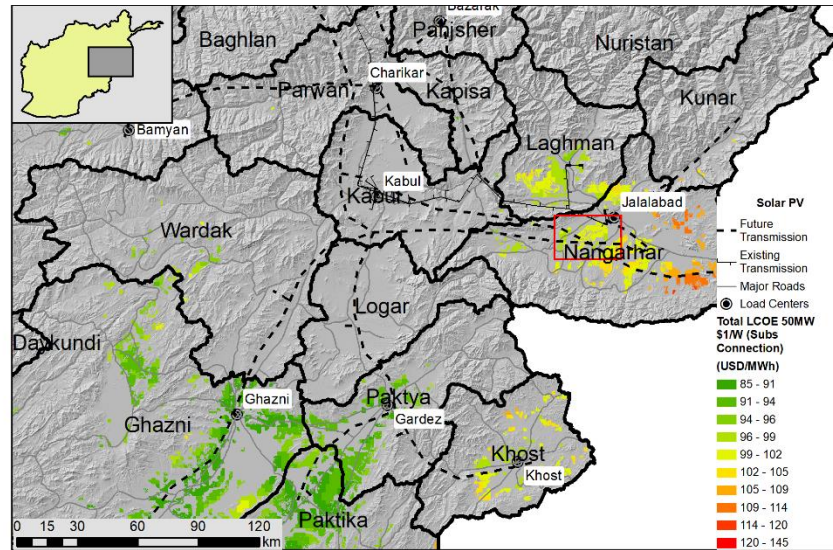
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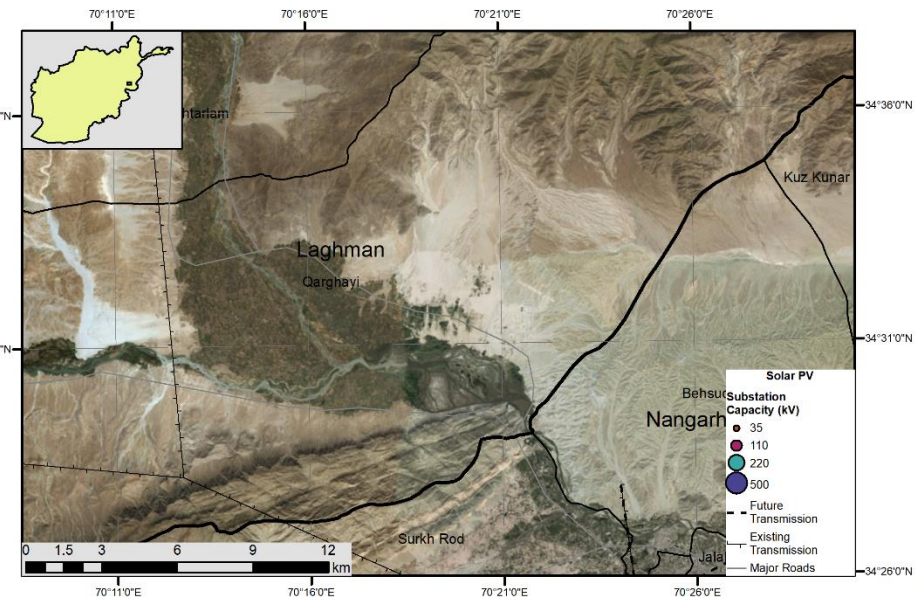
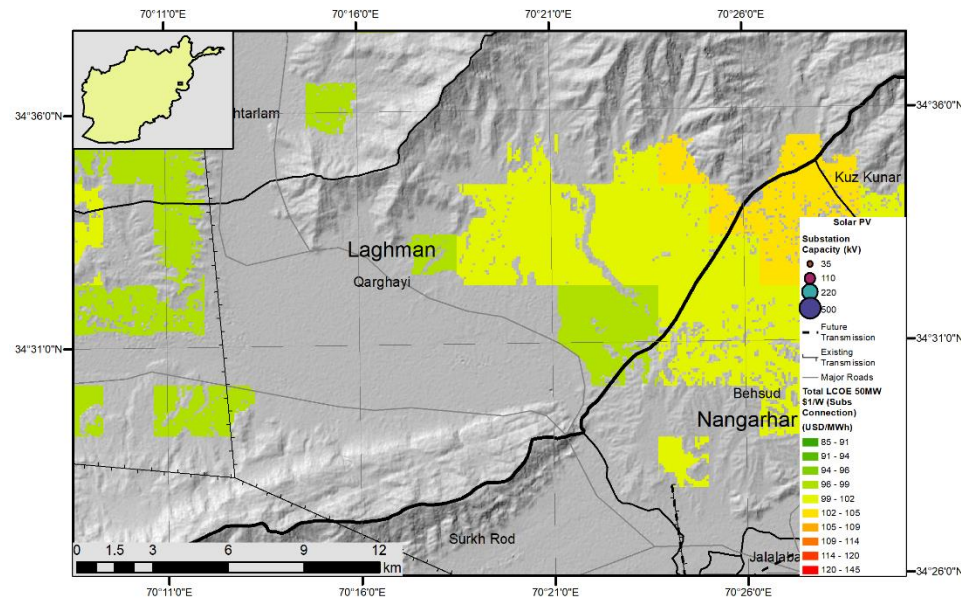
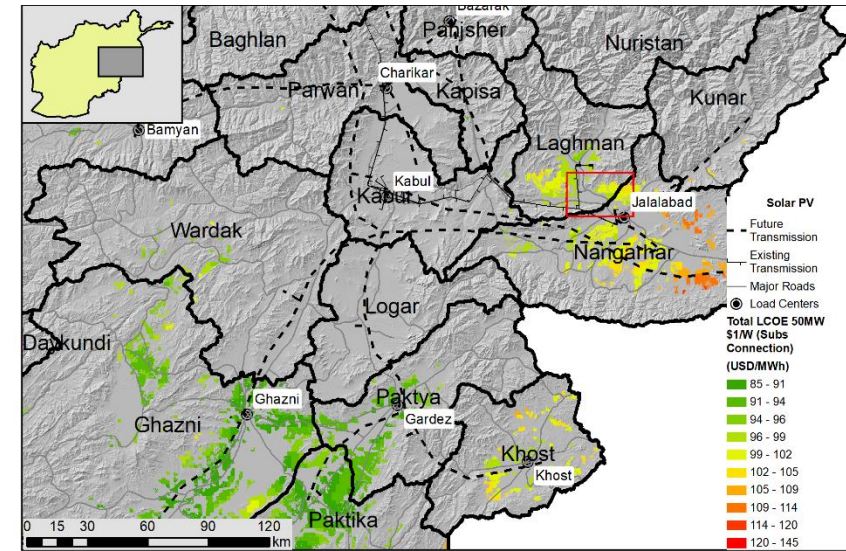
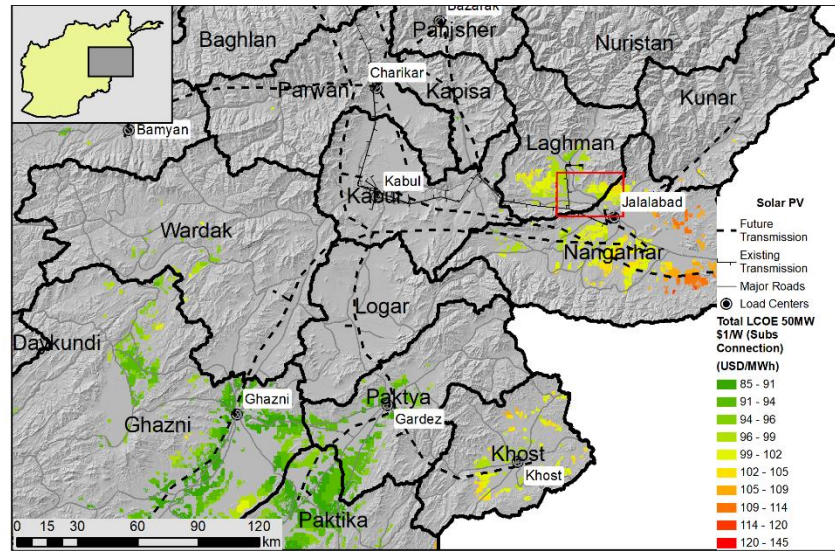
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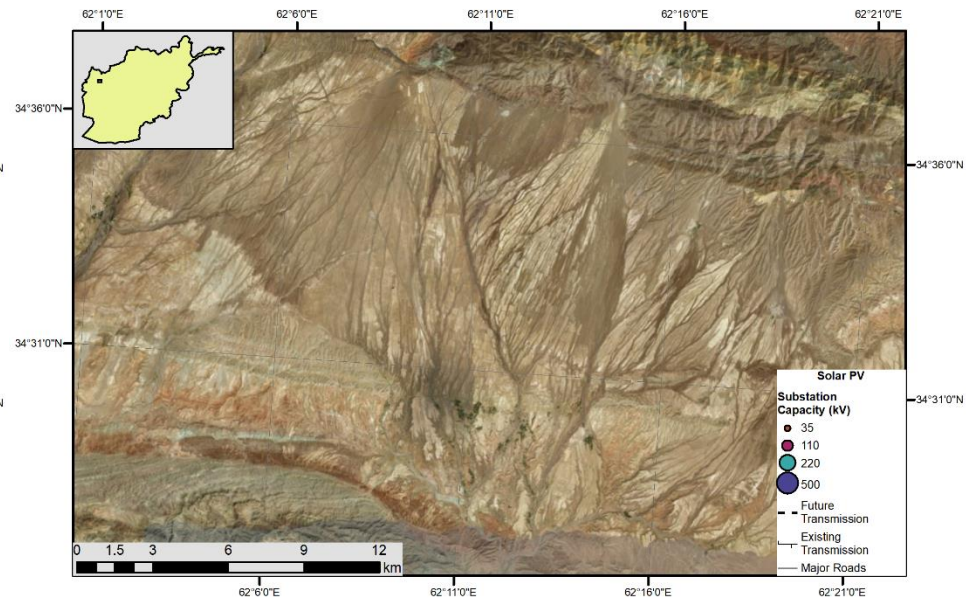
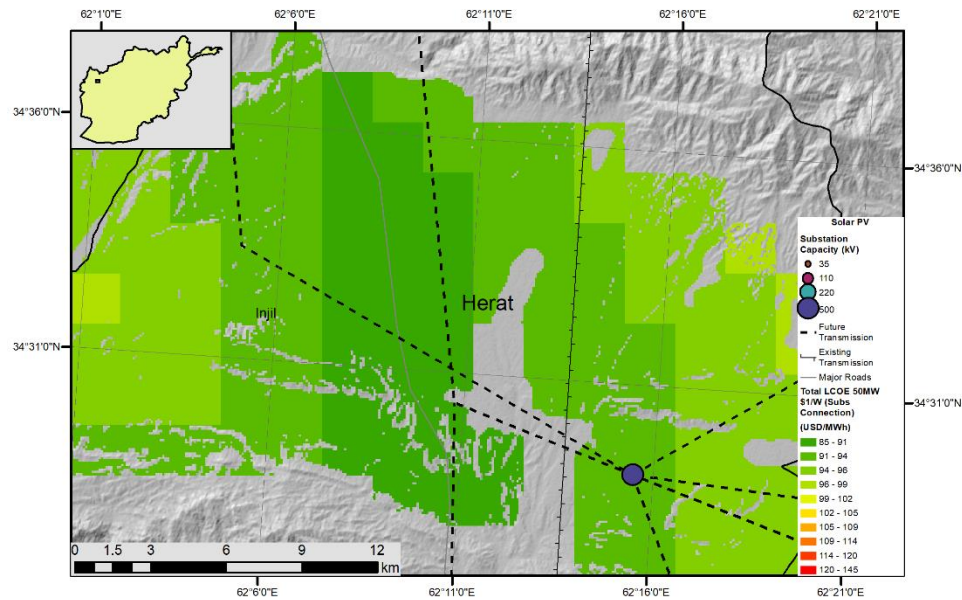
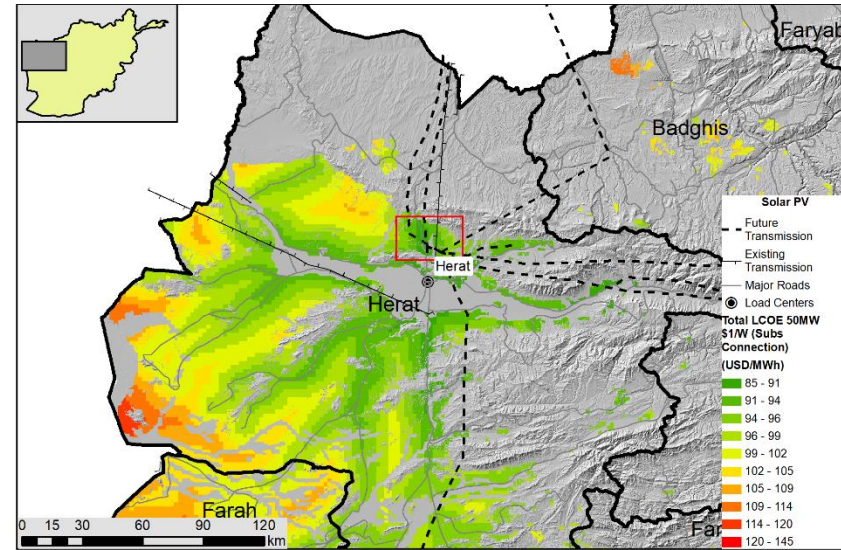
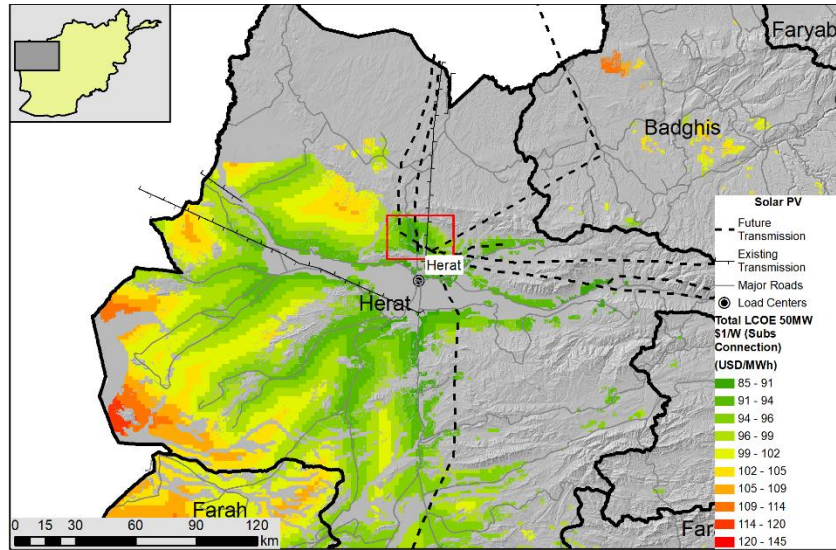
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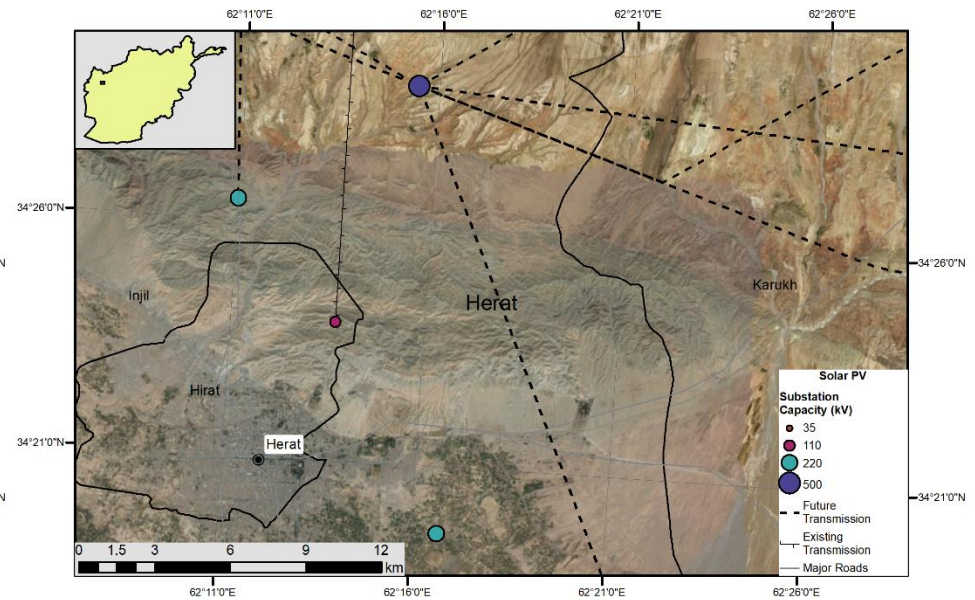
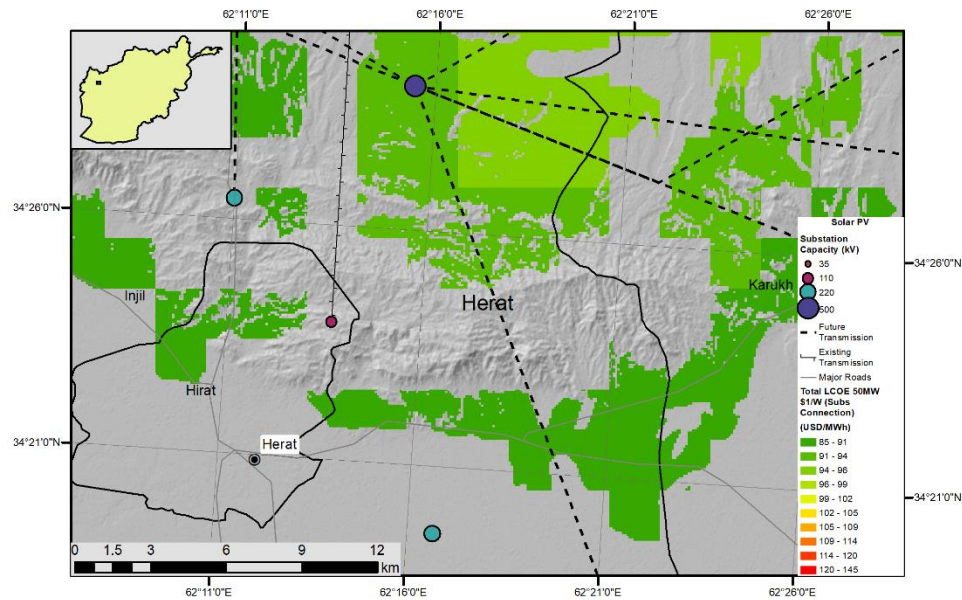
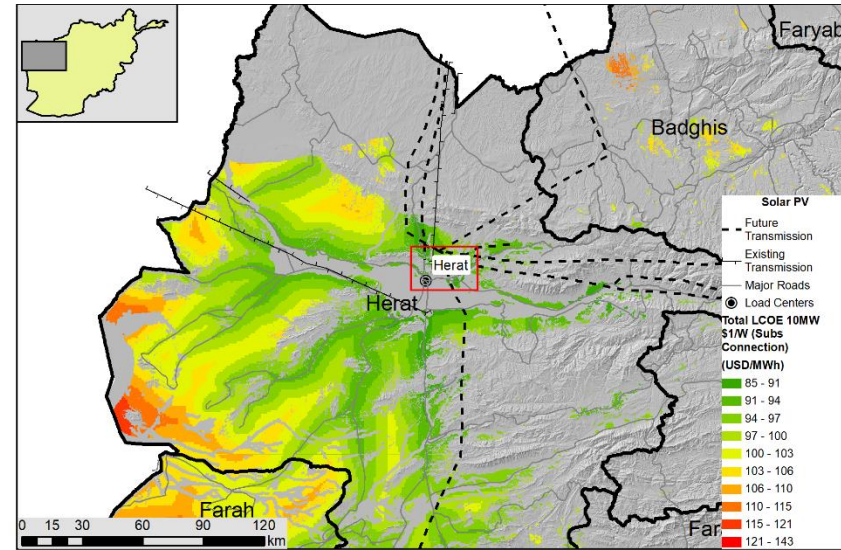
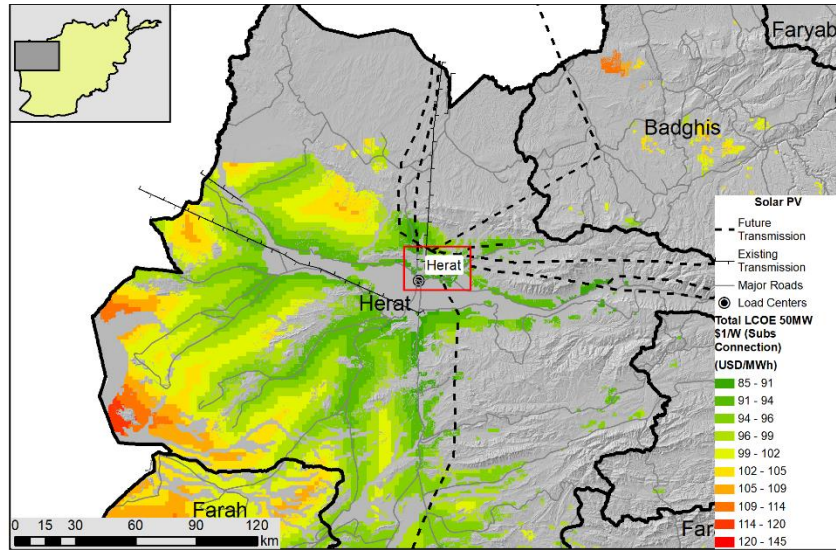
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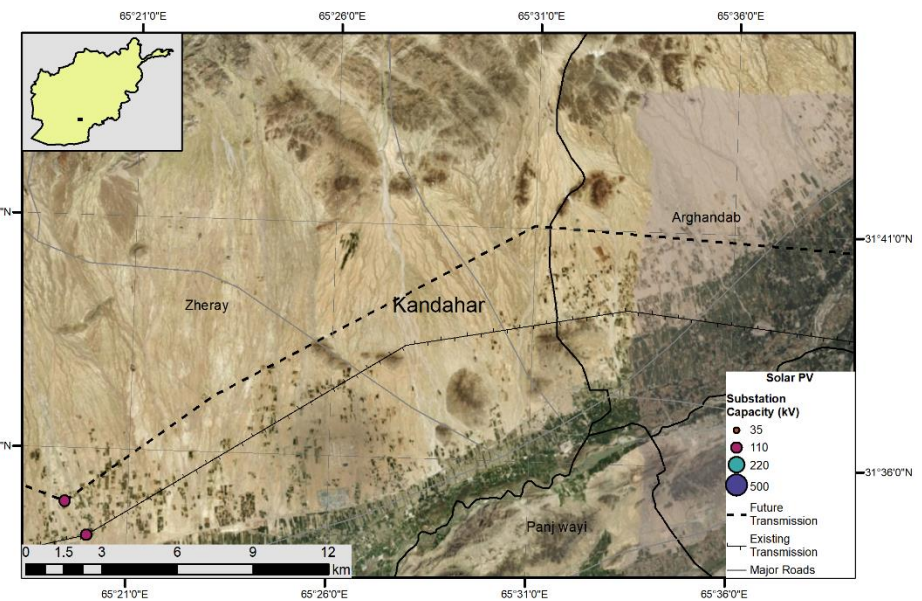
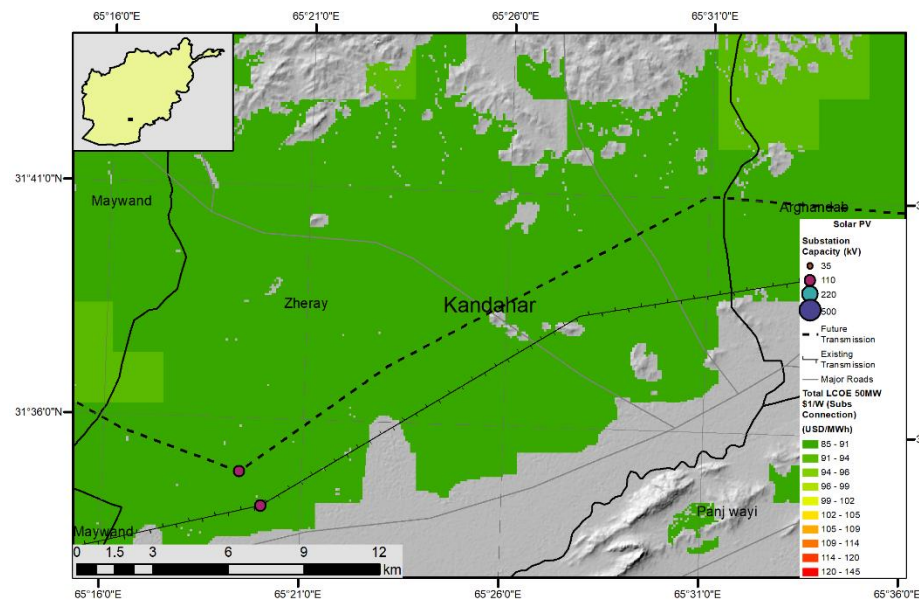
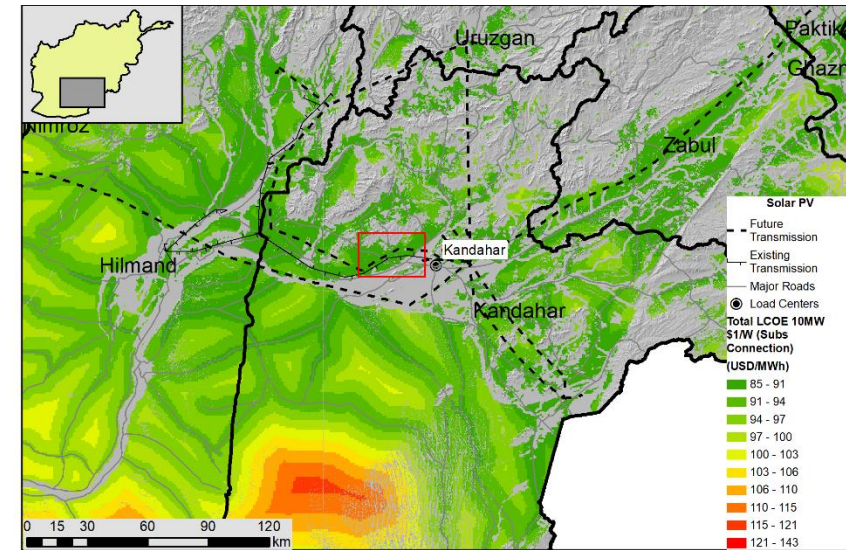
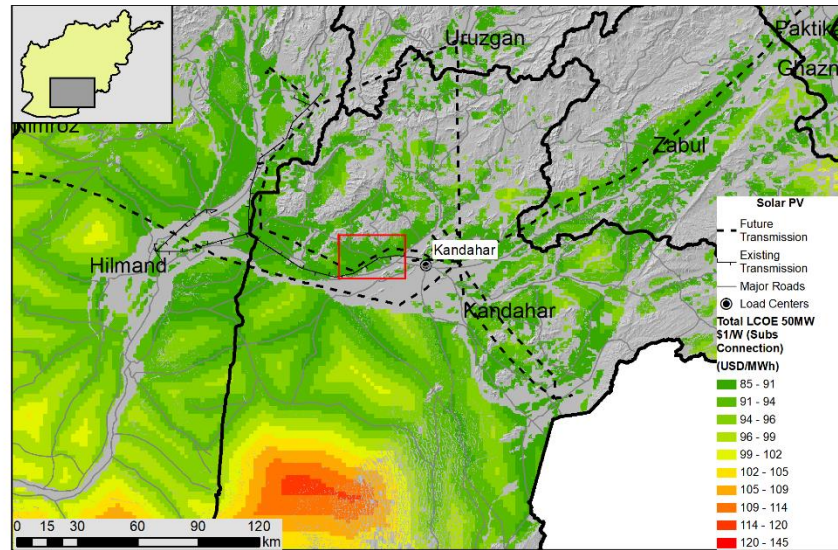
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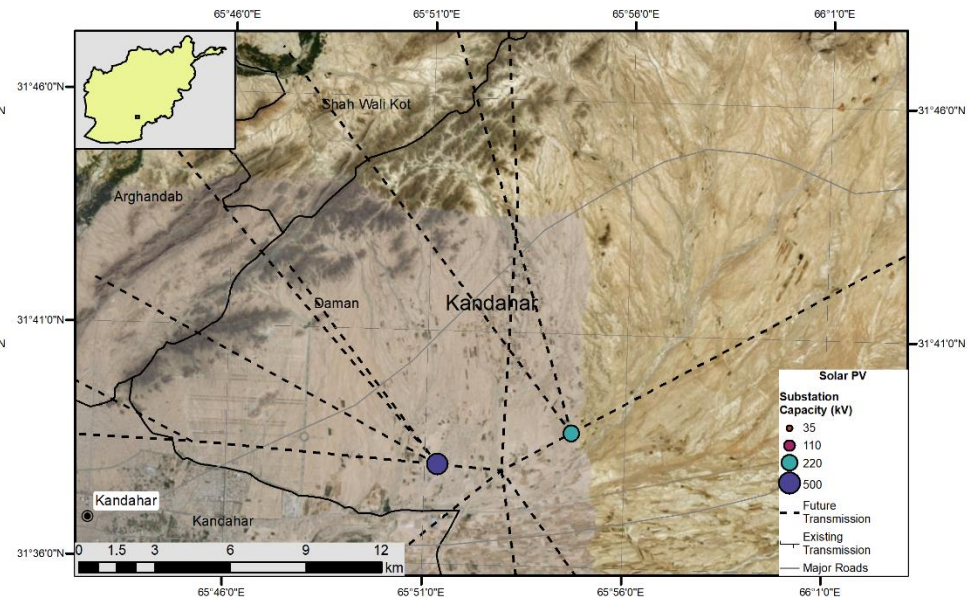
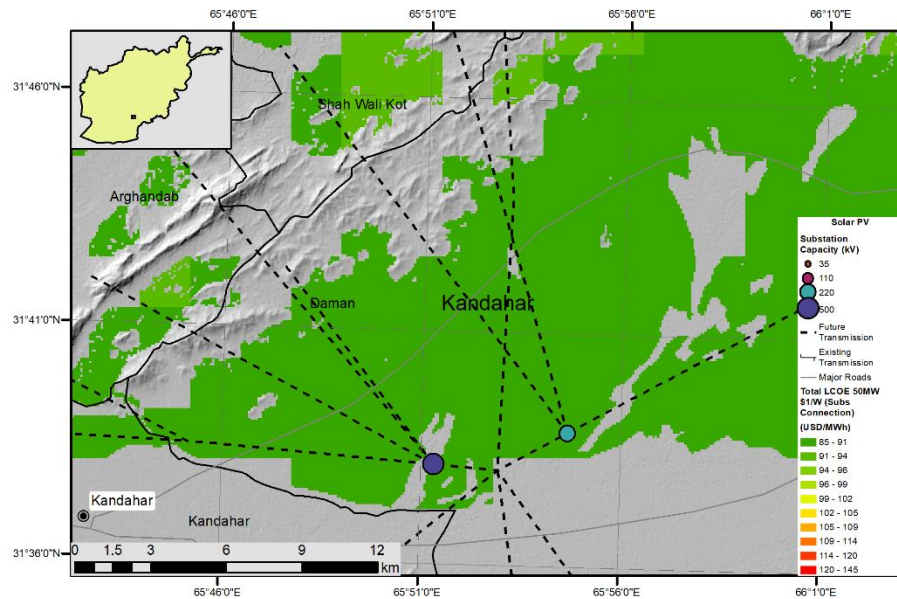
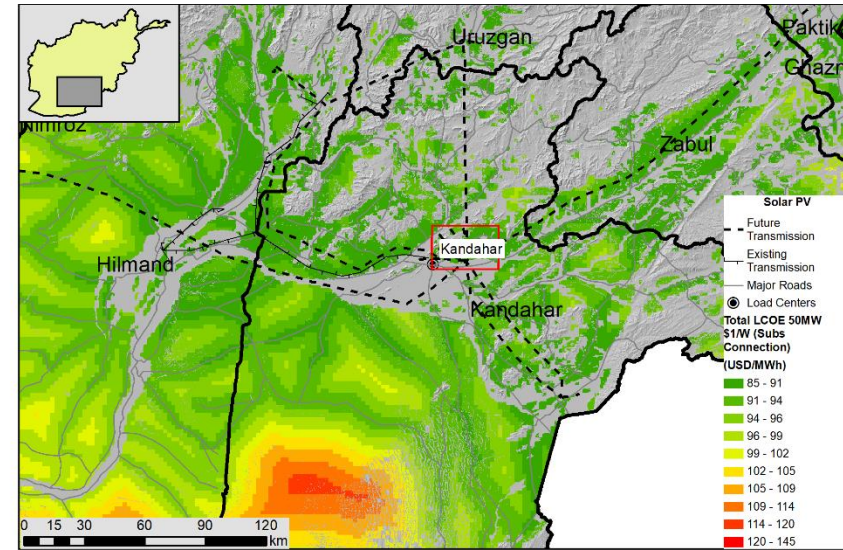
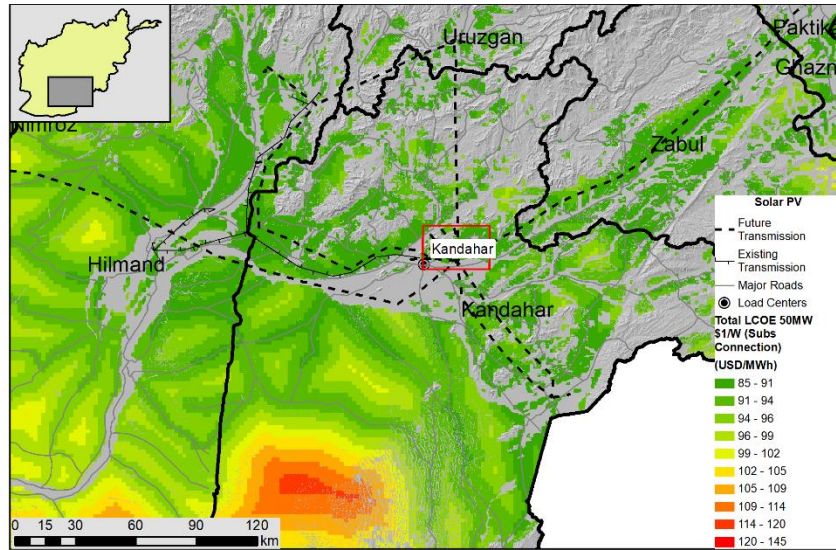
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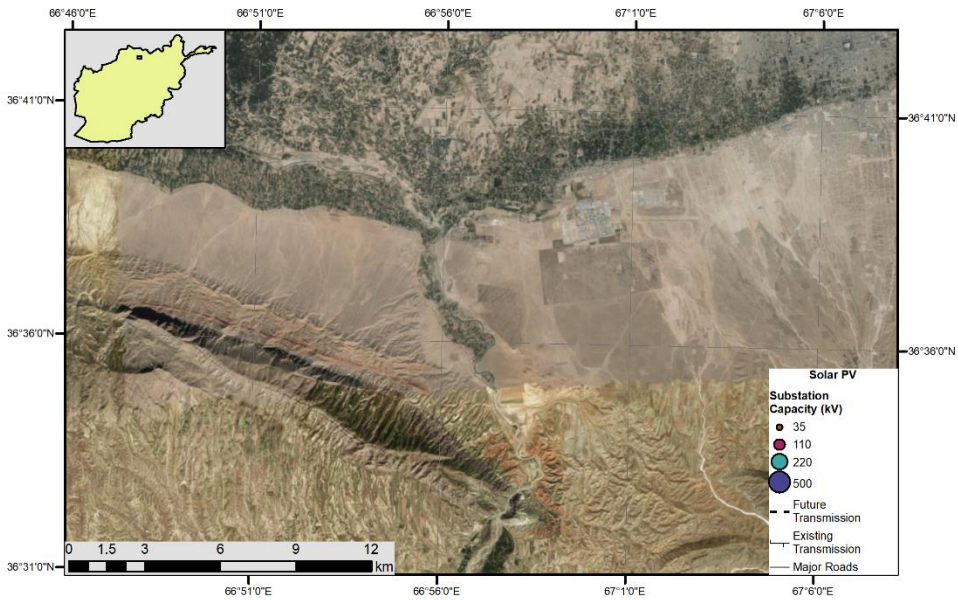
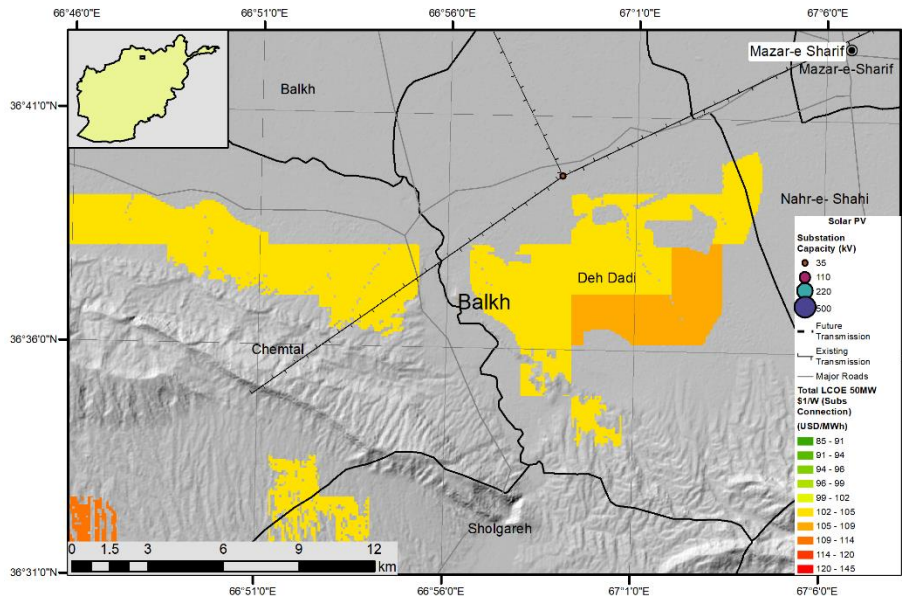
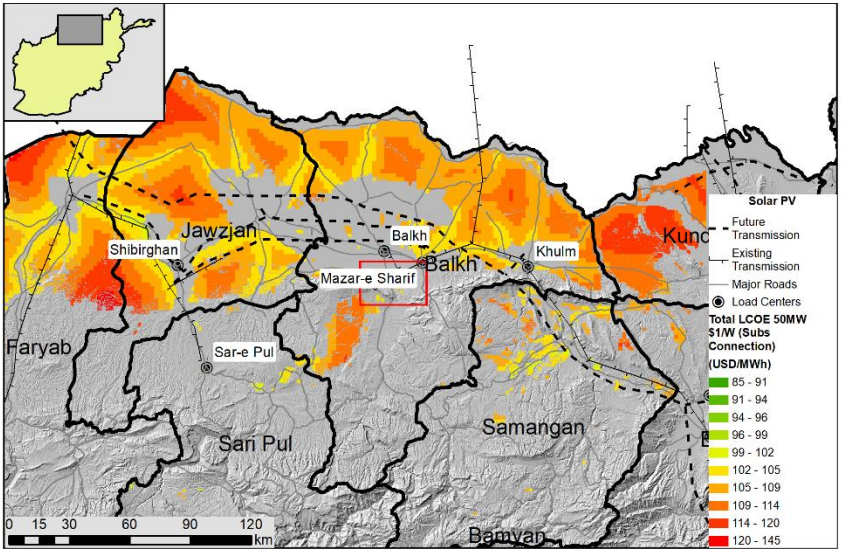
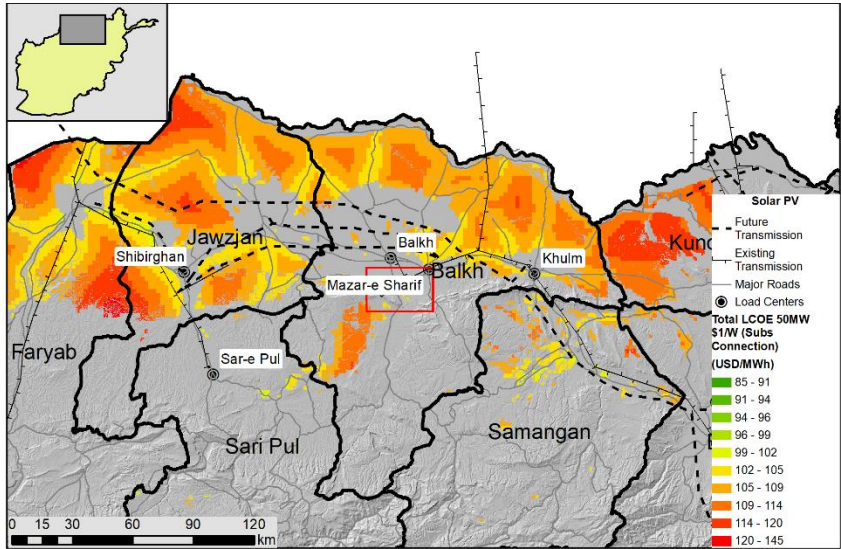
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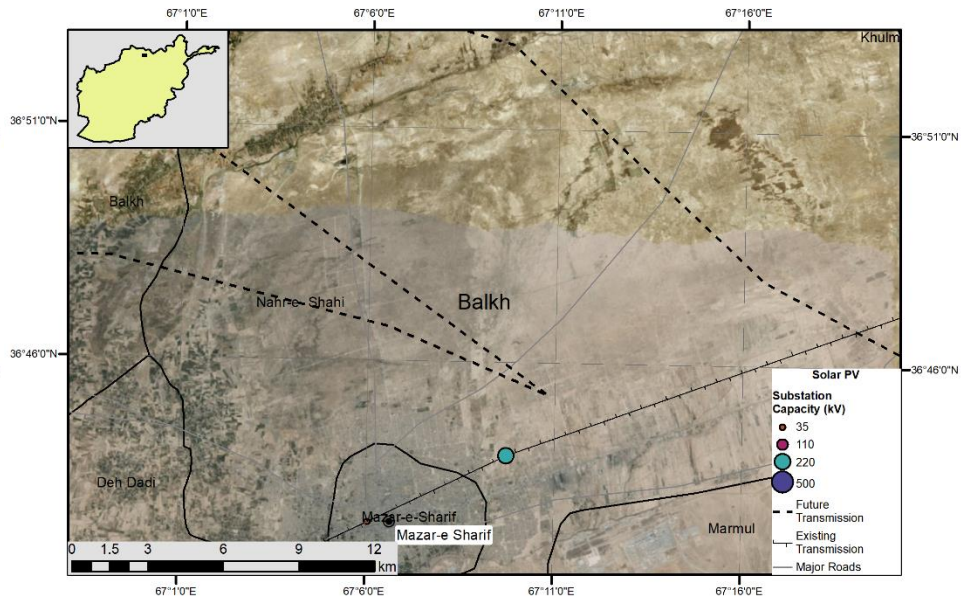
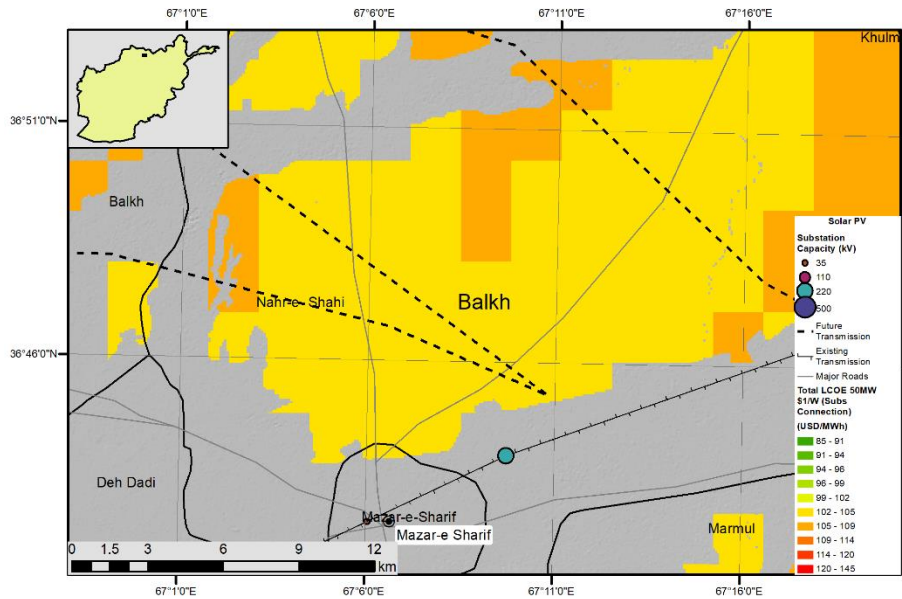
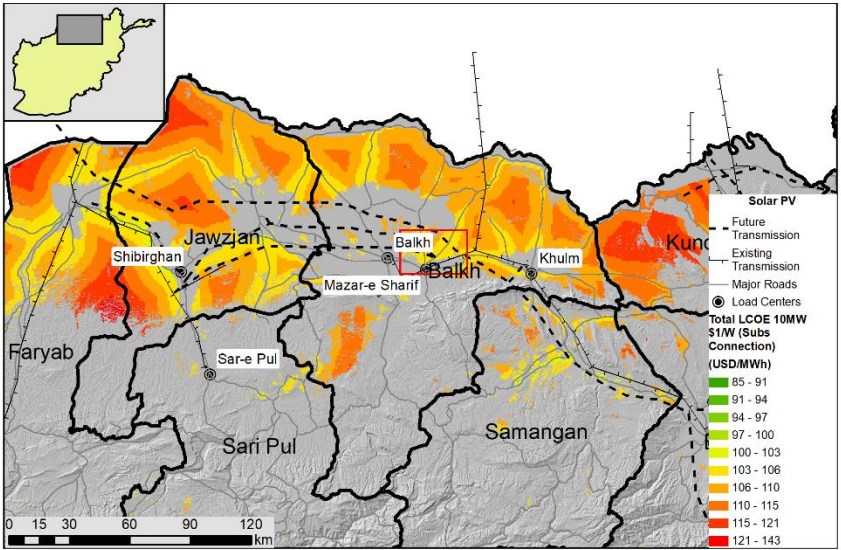
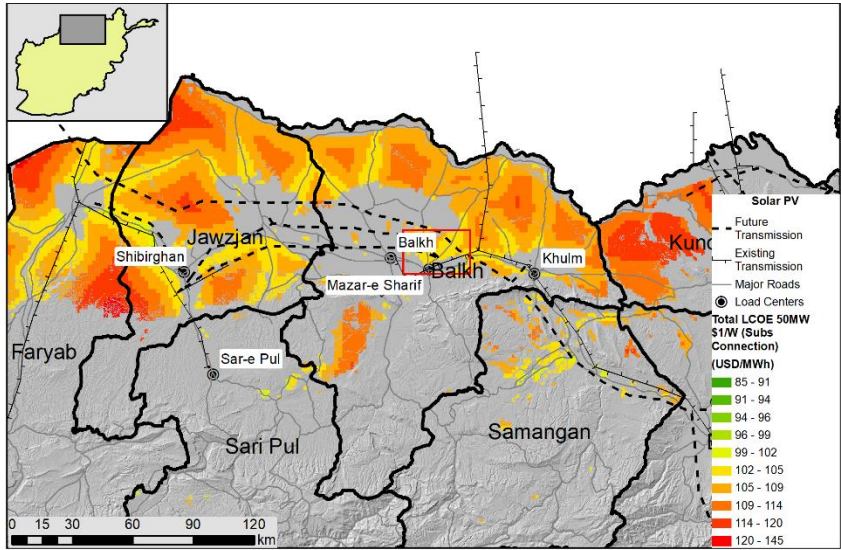
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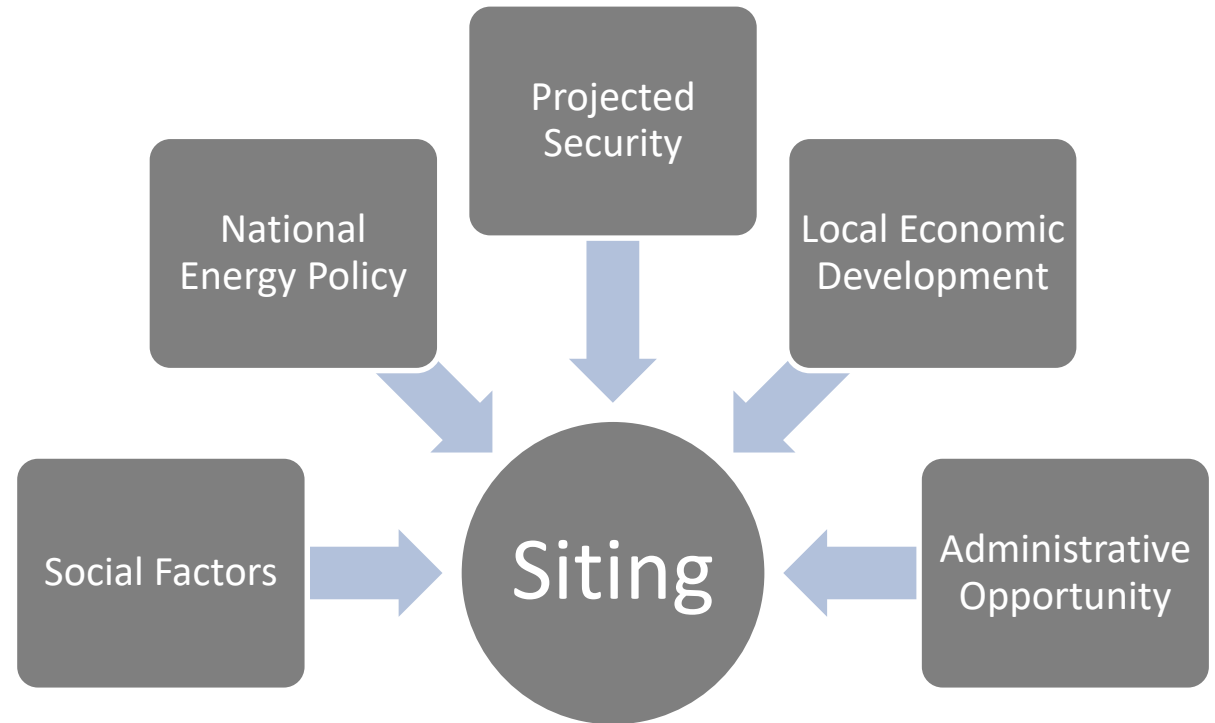
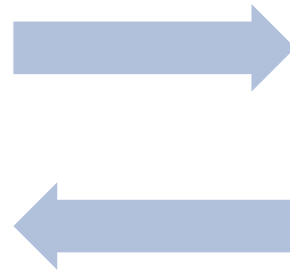
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- Land ownership
- Security
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Detailed Geospatial Analysis

Feasibility Study

- Geological analysis
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- Site visit



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